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English

GATHERING OF THE GODS

ZEUS: I have gathered you here on this holiest of grounds to discuss the fate of a mortal whose actions I sense could have grave implications for all of us here on Mount Olympus.

ATHENA: Father, it is Kratos of whom you speak. I have been his patron goddess these last 10 years as he has fought to stave off madness and earn our forgiveness.

ARES: The man is a fool. He turned his back on a gift so…

ZEUS: Enough! I know what he has done. And, might I add, I know why he did it. You should be ashamed.

ATHENA: Ares' actions were brutal, as always, my lord. The oracles warn me that even now Ares is marshalling his forces to attack and destroy my fair city.

ARES: Athens? It is nothing more than a festering pit; a blight on mother Gaia herself! I most certainly will destroy your city, my dear sister.

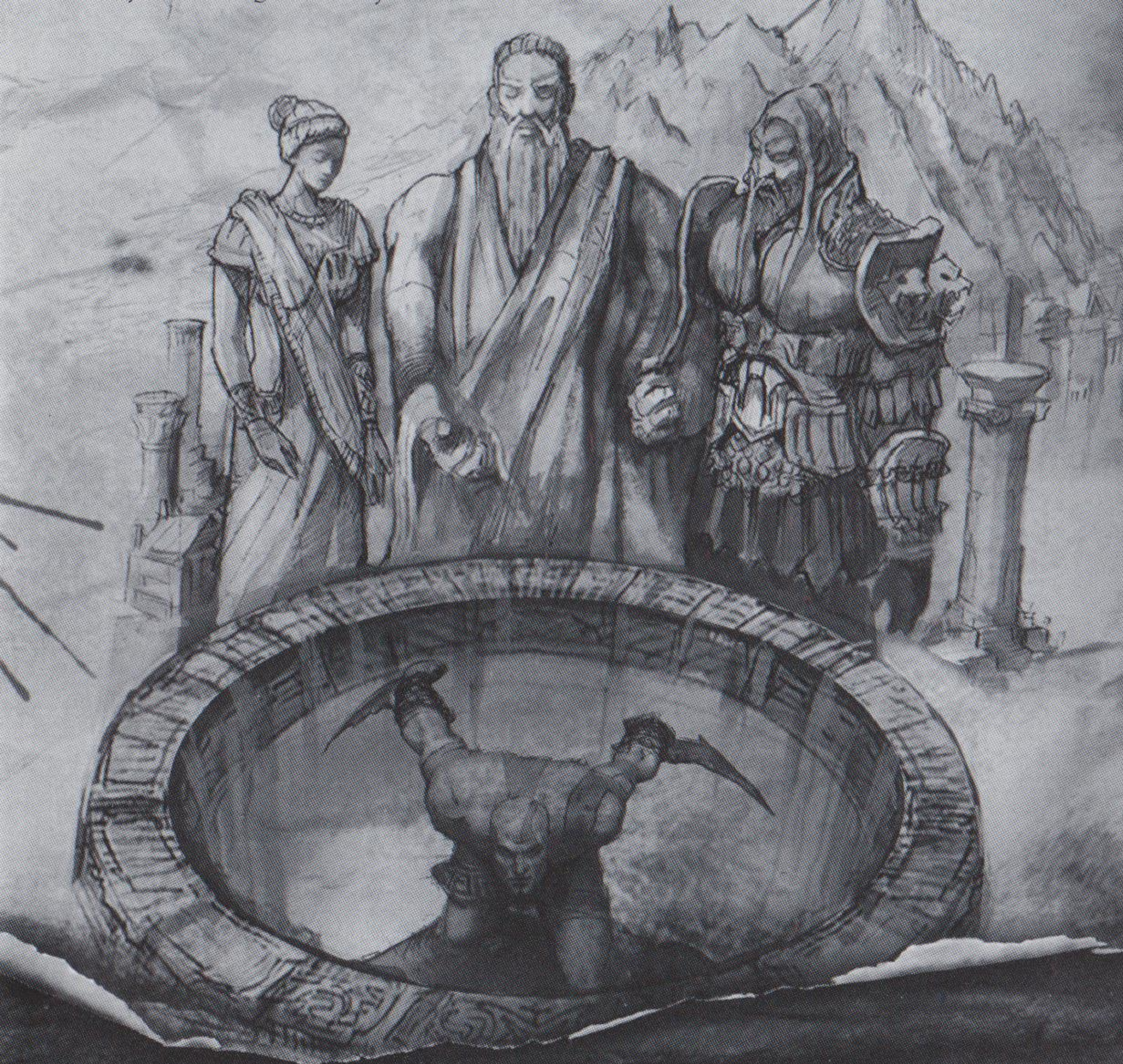
ATHENA: Not if I stop you, brother.

ZEUS: Enough, both of you. Your childish quibbles are your own, but I do not want this war encroaching on the steps of Mount Olympus. We have other worries. Kratos may very well alter the course of all our destinies.

ATHENA: He is quite insane, my lord, but he is strong.

ARES: On that, we can agree.

ZEUS: Yes... he is strong. But one day he may grow too strong for his own good. And for ours...



SETTING UP

Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its instruction manual. Check that the I/⏻ indicator on the front of the console is lit up red. Press the I/⏻/RESET button and the I/⏻ indicator will light up green.

Press the ⏏ button on the front of the console to open the disc cover and place the GOD OF WAR™ disc in the disc holder with the label side facing upwards. Press lightly until the disc clicks into place. Close the disc cover by pressing firmly until you hear a click. GOD OF WAR™ will then commence loading. It is advised that you do not insert or remove accessories once the power is on.

Owners of SCPH-30000 and SCPH-50000 series consoles should refer to the setup instructions supplied with the console.

Before commencing play, it is recommended that you select your preferred language from the console's System Configuration menu.

PLEASE NOTE: The information in this manual was correct at the time of going to print, but some minor changes may have been made late in the game's development. All screenshots for this manual have been taken from the English version of this game, and some screenshots might have been taken from pre-completion screens that differ slightly from those in the finished game.

MEMORY CARD (8MB) (for PlayStation®2)

PLEASE NOTE: Throughout this manual, the term 'Memory Card' is used to describe the Memory Card (8MB) (for PlayStation®2) - (SCPH-10020 E). Memory Cards (SCPH-1020 E) designed for use with the PlayStation® format software are not compatible with this game.

To save game settings and progress, insert a Memory Card into MEMORY CARD slot 1 or MEMORY CARD slot 2. You can load saved game data from the same Memory Card or any Memory Card containing previously saved game data. Make sure there is enough free space on your Memory Card before commencing play.

NOTE: If only one Memory Card is inserted, the MEMORY CARD slot in question will be automatically selected. If both MEMORY CARD slot 1 and MEMORY CARD slot 2 are in use, you will be given the option to select a MEMORY CARD slot for use.

DIRECTIONAL BUTTONS - MOVEMENT

In this manual, ⬆, ⬇, ⬅, ➡ etc. are used to denote the direction of both the directional buttons and the left analog stick unless stated otherwise. A digital controller can not be used to play GOD OF WAR™. On boot up the Analog Controller (DUALSHOCK®2) will default to analog mode (indicator: red).

USING MENU SCREENS

Press ↑, ↓, ← or → to highlight an option, then press the ⊗ button to confirm. To return to the previous menu screen, press the △ button.

GETTING STARTED

MAIN MENU

When the Main Menu screen is displayed, press ↑ or ↓ to highlight one of the following options and press the ⊗ button to confirm:

New Game	Experience Kratos' greatest adventure from the beginning.
Load	Continue playing a previously saved game.
Options	See the Options section of this manual.
Treasures	See the 'Treasures of Olympus' section towards the end of this manual.

If you are playing for the first time, choose 'New Game' from the Main Menu. GOD OF WAR™ offers four different difficulty modes, so select the appropriate mode before beginning the game:

Mortal Mode = Easy
Hero Mode = Normal
Spartan Mode = Hard
God Mode = Very Hard

NOTE: GOD OF WAR™ must be completed in Mortal, Hero or Spartan Mode to unlock God Mode. If you want to resume a saved game, select Load at the Main Menu and then choose the save file you wish to load.

Options

The Options screen is accessed from the Main Menu. Press ⬆ or ⬇ to select one of the following options and depending on the option, press ⬅ or ➡ or the ⊗ button to change settings:

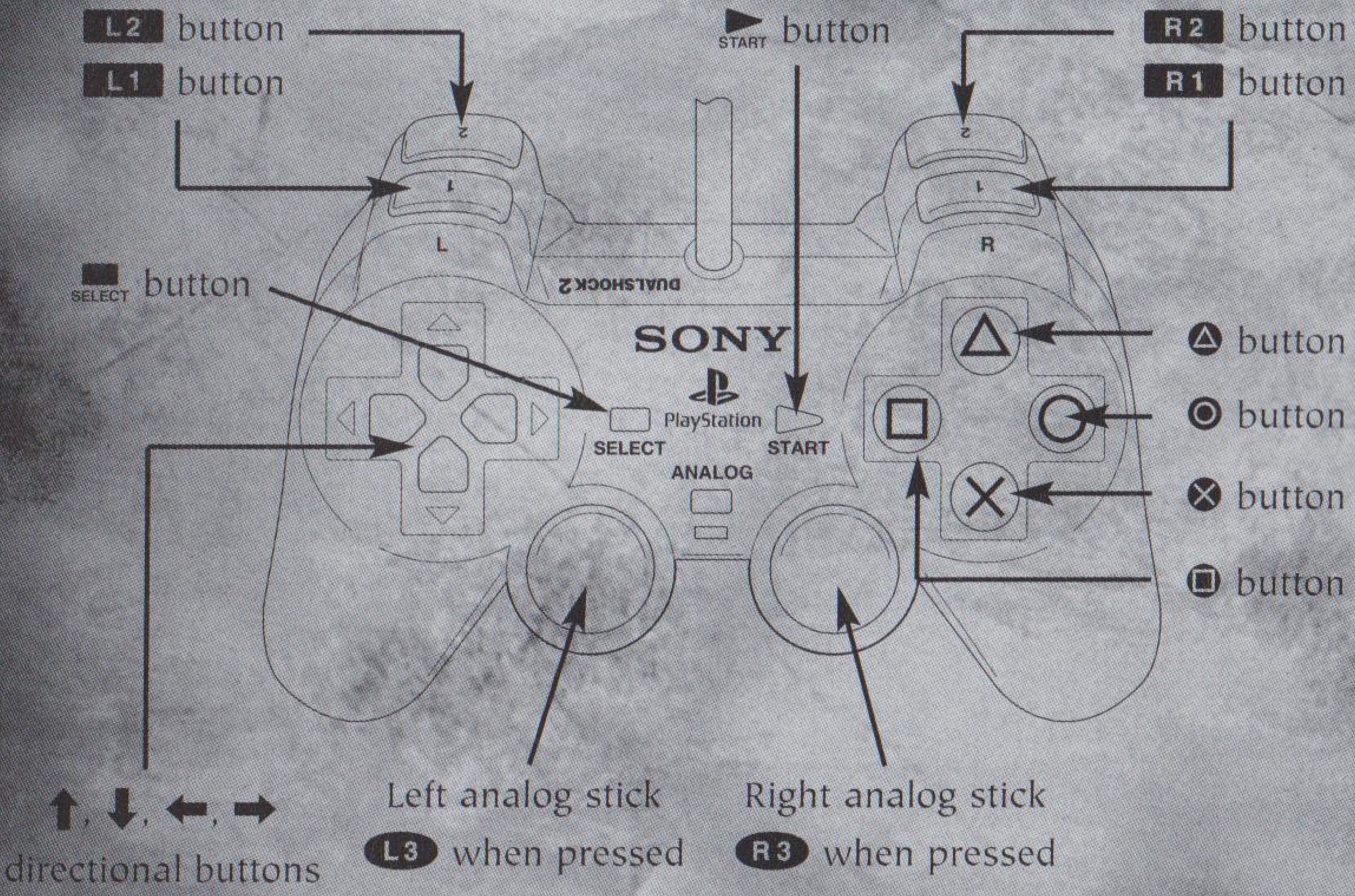
Wide Screen	Toggle the wide screen display aspect ON or OFF.
Soften	Soften the focus of the on-screen display.
Music Volume	Increase or decrease the volume of music.
SFX Volume	Increase or decrease the volume of sound effects.
Sound Mode	Choose Stereo, Mono or Surround sound outputs.
Controller Display	Press the ⊗ button to view the default controls.
Vibration	Toggle the vibration function of the Analog Controller (DUALSHOCK®2) ON or OFF.
Return to Main Menu	Select this to return to the previous screen.

SAVING PROGRESS

Game progress is saved at certain points in the game via Save Altars which are activated by pressing the R2 button. When asked if you would like to create a save file, choose 'Yes' and press the ⊗ button.

DEFAULT CONTROLS

ANALOG CONTROLLER (DUALSHOCK®2)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L1 button
START button
R2 button
R1 button
2
1
L
2
1
R
DUALSHOCK 2
SELECT button
SONY
PlayStation
SELECT
START
ANALOG
△ button
○ button
⊗ button
□ button
↑, ↓, ←, →
directional buttons
Left analog stick
L3 when pressed
Right analog stick
R3 when pressed

ON GROUND CONTROLS

Left analog stick	Walk/Run/Climb
Right analog stick	Evade
⊗ button	Jump
⊗ button then ⊗ button	Double Jump
⊡ button	Normal Attack
△ button	Heavy Attack
◎ button	Grab Enemies
L1 button	Block (and parry if attack is blocked at right time)
↑, ↓, ←, → directional buttons	Select Magic (when acquired)
L2 button	Use Item/Magic
R2 button	Action/Interact
L3 button and R3 button (pressed simultaneously)	Rage of the Gods (when Rage Meter is full)
△ button (hold)	Launch and follow enemy into the air
⊗ button (when launching enemy into the air)	Super Jump
◎ button (when an enemy is airborne)	Chain Grab
▶ START button	In-Game Menus
■ SELECT button	Pause Menu

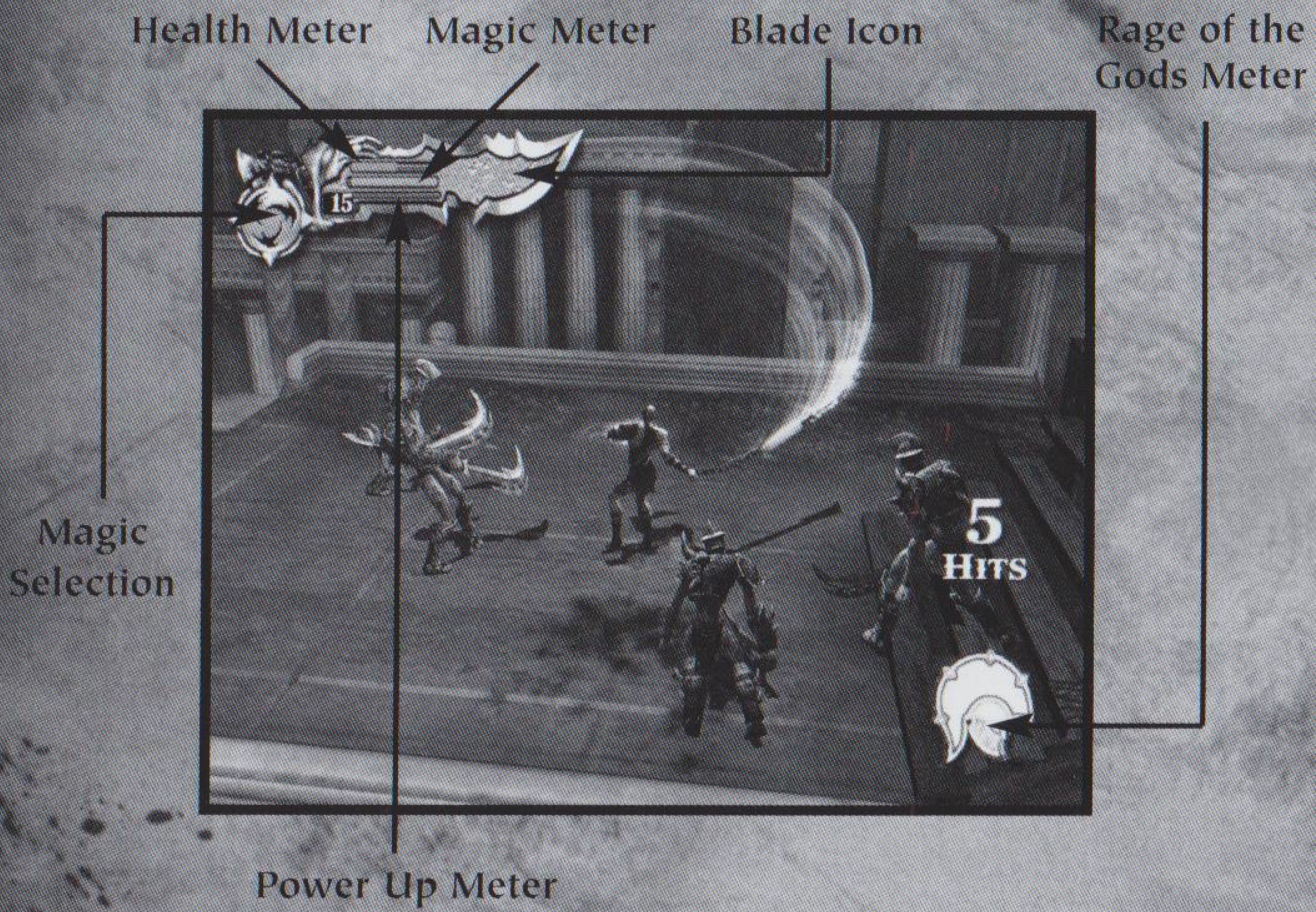
NOTE: Hold the R2 button and press the ⊗ button to charge and release to kick objects.

IN AIR BASICS

⊡ button	Horizontal Attack
△ button	Vertical Attack
◎ button	Air Grab (when Kratos and enemy are in the air)

L1 button	Block
↑, ↓, ←, → directional buttons	Select Magic (when acquired)
L2 button	Use Item/Magic
R1 button	Hercules Stomp
◎ button (hold)	Rope Swing (when hanging on a rope)

THE GAME SCREEN


Health Meter
Magic Meter
Blade Icon
Rage of the Gods Meter
15
Magic Selection
5 HITS
Power Up Meter

BLADE ICON

Kratos' Blade Icon is displayed in the top left corner of the screen and contains three separate meters in one (for 'Health', 'Magic' and 'Power Up') as well as indicating the magical ability that is currently selected.

Health Meter

The Health Meter is a green bar found inside the Blade Icon. It is refilled by collecting Green Health Orbs from fallen enemies and glowing green chests.

Magic Meter

The Magic Meter is a blue bar found inside the Blade Icon. Collect Blue Magic Orbs from fallen enemies and glowing blue chests to refill it.

Power Up Meter

The Power Up Meter is a red bar found inside the Blade Icon. It is used to power up both Kratos' magical abilities and his weapon – the Blades of Chaos. Fill the meter by collecting Red Power Up Orbs; they are gained by smashing objects, opening chests and from fallen enemies.

Magic Selection

Kratos will gain many powerful magic abilities during his adventure. The Magic Icon can be found on the left side of the Blade Icon and represents the current magic that is selected. Press the ↑, ↓, ← and → directional buttons to choose between the available magic abilities.

RAGE OF THE GODS METER

Once the 'Rage of the Gods' has been acquired, the meter located in the bottom right corner of the screen will slowly fill as Kratos fights and defeats his enemies.

When completely full, temporarily draw upon the Rage of the Gods by pressing the L3 button and the R3 button simultaneously. This meter will fill faster as Kratos completes bigger attacking combos. While harnessing the Rage of the Gods, Kratos can use new attacks that do more damage than his normal combat moves.

ATTACKS AND MOVES

COMBOS

Kratos can unleash devastating attacks that can be linked together to create a string of combos, capable of creating massive damage. By striking, swinging and even using the Blades of Chaos to catch and impale his enemies, he can execute both short-range and long-range attacks. Kratos will earn more Red Orbs for completing a higher number of combos.

CONTEXT SENSITIVE ATTACKS

When some enemies have been damaged enough, a context sensitive button 'indicator' will appear over their heads. Press the corresponding button and then time and execute a series of button presses (□ button, ○ button, ✕ button and △ button) and/or left analog stick directions that appear on-screen. If done correctly, Kratos will unleash more damage or take out an enemy with a devastating finishing move.

NOTE: When Kratos is grabbed by certain enemies, an analog stick icon will be displayed in the bottom left hand corner of the screen. When this icon is displayed, move the left analog stick from side to side as quickly as possible to shake off the attacker.

IN-GAME MENUS

Press the ▶ START button during gameplay to pause the game and access the Power Up, Moves and Items Menu Screens. Press the L1 button and the R1 button to scroll between the screens and ↑ or ↓ to highlight an option.

POWER UP MENU

Kratos will acquire new abilities, which can then be upgraded using the Red Orbs he has collected. Select a weapon or magical ability to be powered up and then hold the ✕ button to upgrade.

A meter shows how many Red Orbs Kratos has in his inventory and how many are required to power up the magic or weapon.

MOVES MENU

The Moves Menu displays all of the current combos and moves that have been unlocked. At the start of his quest, Kratos will only have a few of these moves, but as he gains new abilities, the list will grow substantially.

ITEMS MENU

The Items Menu displays the Special Items Kratos has uncovered. These Special Items are stashed away in chests throughout Greece.

THE PAUSE MENU

Press the SELECT button during the game to pause the action and display the Pause Menu. Use the Pause Menu to access the Options Menu, restart from the last checkpoint or quit the current game. You can return to the game by selecting Continue or by pressing the △ button.

UPGRADES

Both Kratos' Blades of Chaos and his magical abilities can be upgraded by using any Red Orbs he has collected to increase their intensity. The Blades of Chaos can be improved by up to five levels.

SPECIAL ITEMS

In addition to Orbs, Kratos can find Special Items that will greatly increase his powers. Of course, these items are not always easy to come by; only a true warrior will be able to uncover and collect them all. You can view the Special Items acquired so far by pressing the ▶ START button and pressing the L1 button or the R1 button to scroll to the Items Menu.

MAGIC

As magic abilities are acquired, press the ↑, ↓, ← and → directional buttons to choose an ability, and then execute the move or combo required to unleash it.

ZEUS: Even though I have forbidden the gods from waging war against each other, our powers are our own to do with as we please. I believe Athena's concern rings true. We must help this mortal stop Ares. But it must be done with caution. We can impart the gifts of Olympus to Kratos, but first we must see that he is, indeed, worthy to wield them.

POSEIDON'S RAGE

Attack multiple foes at once with this powerful gift from Lord Poseidon.

L2 button	**Poseidon's Rage**
L2 button plus ○ button (tap rapidly)	**Wrath of Poseidon**

MEDUSA'S GAZE

Turn enemies to stone with the head of a Gorgon.

L2 button (hold) plus □ button (hold)	**Gorgon Torrent**
L2 button (hold) plus △ button	**Gorgon Flash**
L2 button plus ○ button (hold)	**Gorgon Rage**

ZEUS' FURY

Attack enemies from a distance using Zeus' powerful thunderbolts.

L2 button (hold) plus □ button	**Zeus' Fury**
L2 button (hold) plus △ button (charge then release)	**Might of Zeus**

ARMY OF HADES

Summon the souls of the dead to fight at your side.

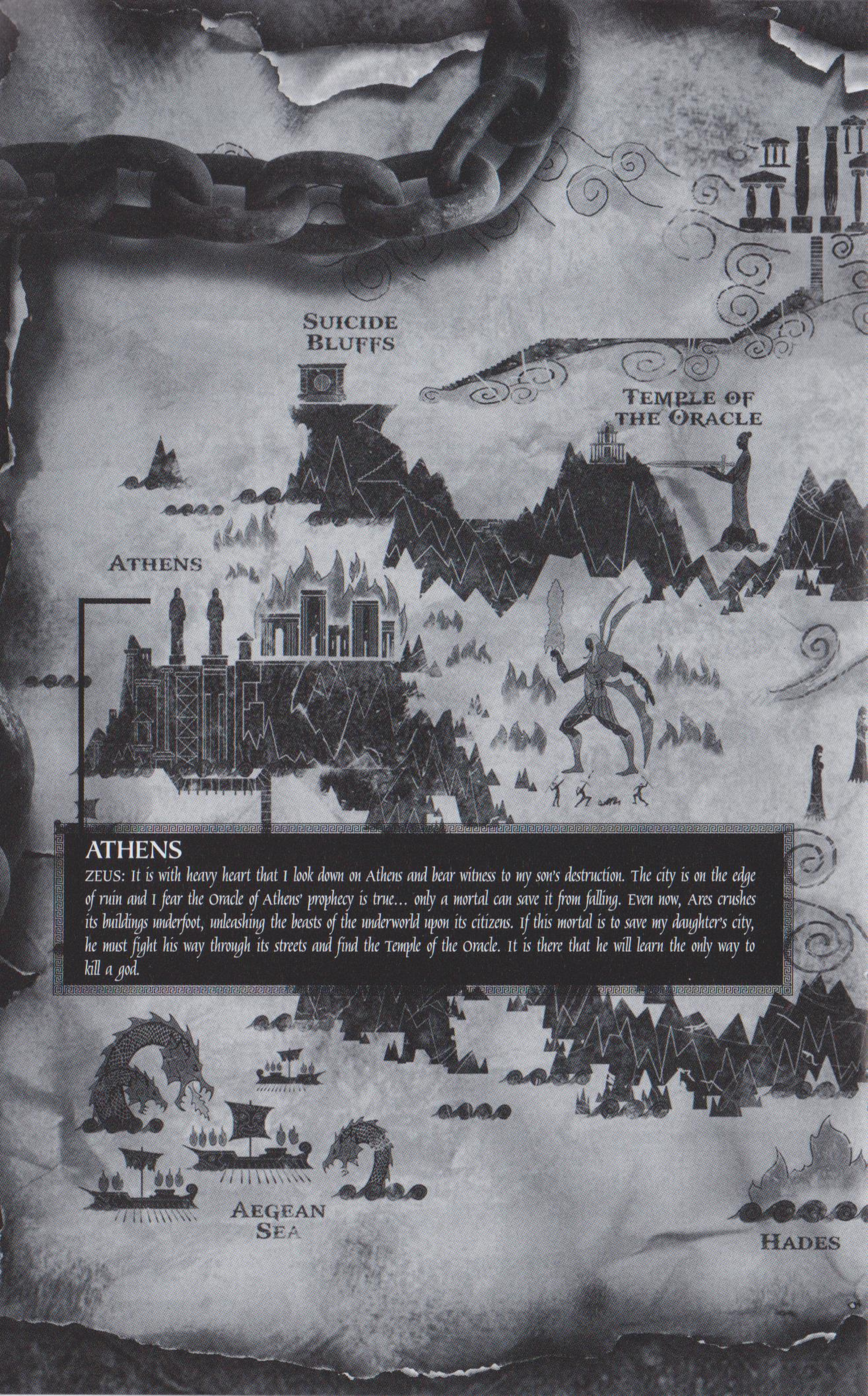
L2 button	**Summon the Army of Hades**

BLADE OF ARTEMIS

Equip this ancient blade to dismember your enemies at close range.

L1 button plus R1 button (hold)	**Summon and Sheath Sword**
L1 button (hold) plus ✕ button	**Wrath of Artemis**
L1 button (hold) plus □ button	**Revenge of Artemis**
L1 button (hold) plus △ button (hold)	**Ascension of Artemis**
L1 button (hold) plus ○ button	**Retribution of Artemis**

NOTE: Not all magic abilities will initially be available.


SUICIDE BLUFFS
TEMPLE OF THE ORACLE
ATHENS
AEGEAN SEA
HADES

ATHENS

ZEUS: It is with heavy heart that I look down on Athens and bear witness to my son's destruction. The city is on the edge of ruin and I fear the Oracle of Athens' prophecy is true… only a mortal can save it from falling. Even now, Ares crushes its buildings underfoot, unleashing the beasts of the underworld upon its citizens. If this mortal is to save my daughter's city, he must fight his way through its streets and find the Temple of the Oracle. It is there that he will learn the only way to kill a god.

THE MAP

OLYMPUS
ZEUS MOUNTAIN
DESERT OF LOST SOULS
PANDORA'S TEMPLE

THE DESERT

ZEUS: *The path through the Desert of Lost Souls is for the unwise; one that can only lead to death and misery for those seeking the reward at its end. If the fierce winds and choking sands do not strip the flesh off the bones of those foolish enough to cross its vast dunes, the lure of the terrible Sirens, whose hypnotic song cannot be ignored, will surely lead them to a gruesome demise. Only true warriors with the strength and fortitude to follow their call will reach the other side unscathed. If Kratos can complete such a task, he will find the Horns of Pandora, which have the power to summon a Titan.*

PANDORA

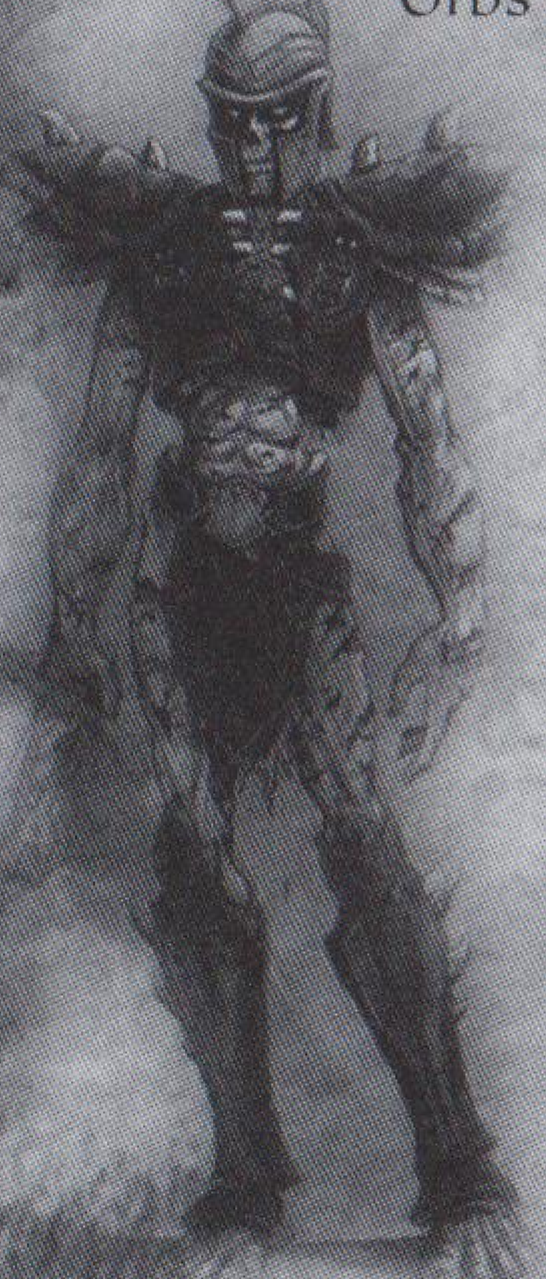
ZEUS: *It seems like a cruel fate, but my father Kronos deserves far worse. Once the ruler of the mighty Titans, it was I who dethroned him and seized his power for myself. As punishment for his failings, I commanded him to wander the desert endlessly, the massive Temple of Pandora chained atop his back. Inside this cursed temple is a weapon powerful enough to kill a god.*

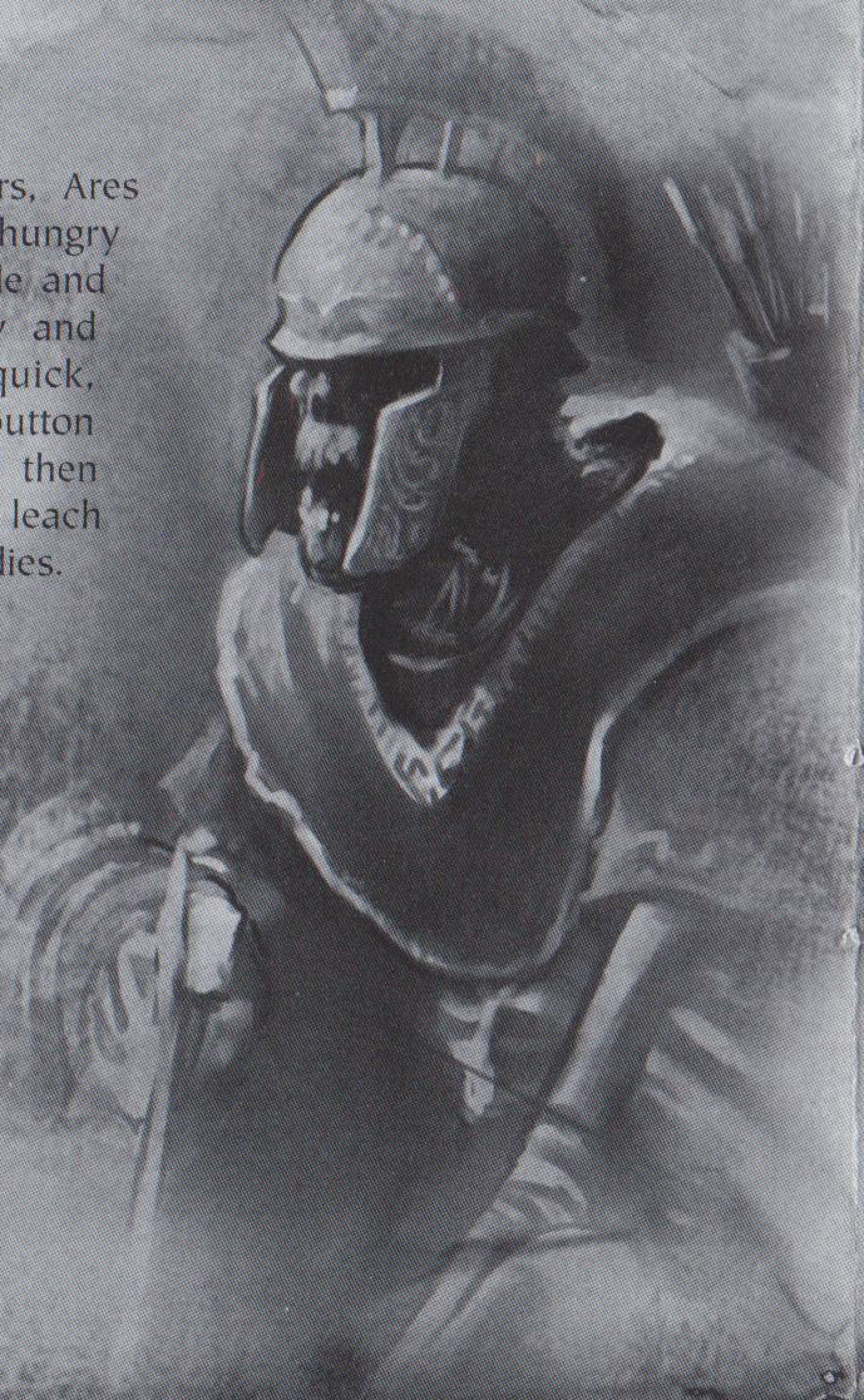
BEASTS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

ARES: Beasts, creatures, legions of the undead. I have plundered them all beneath Hades' very nose and have unleashed them upon Greece. I do not doubt Kratos possesses great strength, as I am the one who unleashed the black depths of his soul, but if the gods really believe he can stave off the hordes of evil, then they are greater fools than I ever imagined.

UNDEAD LEGIONNAIRES

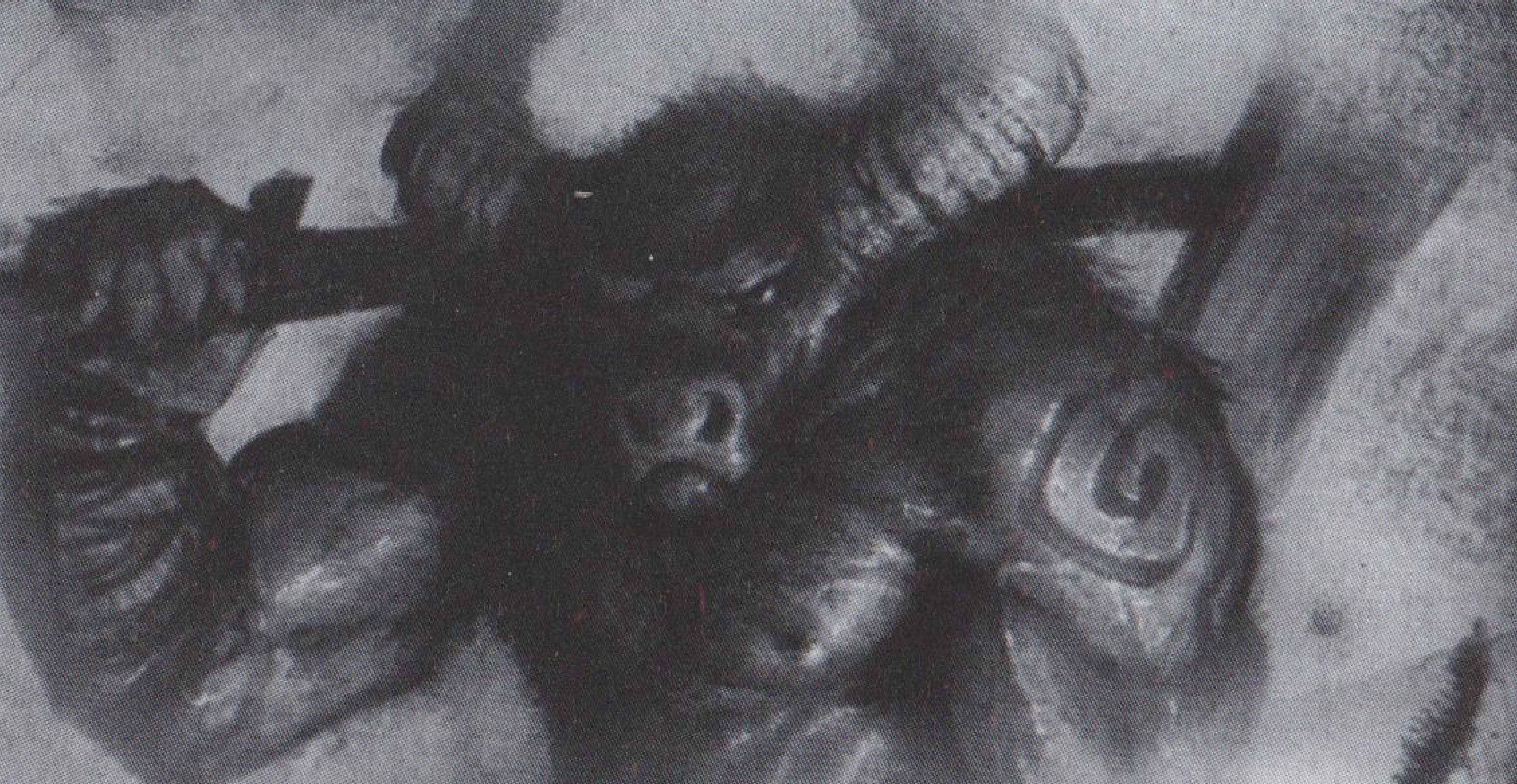
Once proud and skilled warriors, Ares reanimated these wretched war-hungry souls. They will attempt to divide and conquer, surrounding their prey and attacking from all sides in quick, devastating strikes. Press the ◉ button to grab these enemies and then rapidly press the ◉ button to leach Orbs from their rotting bodies.





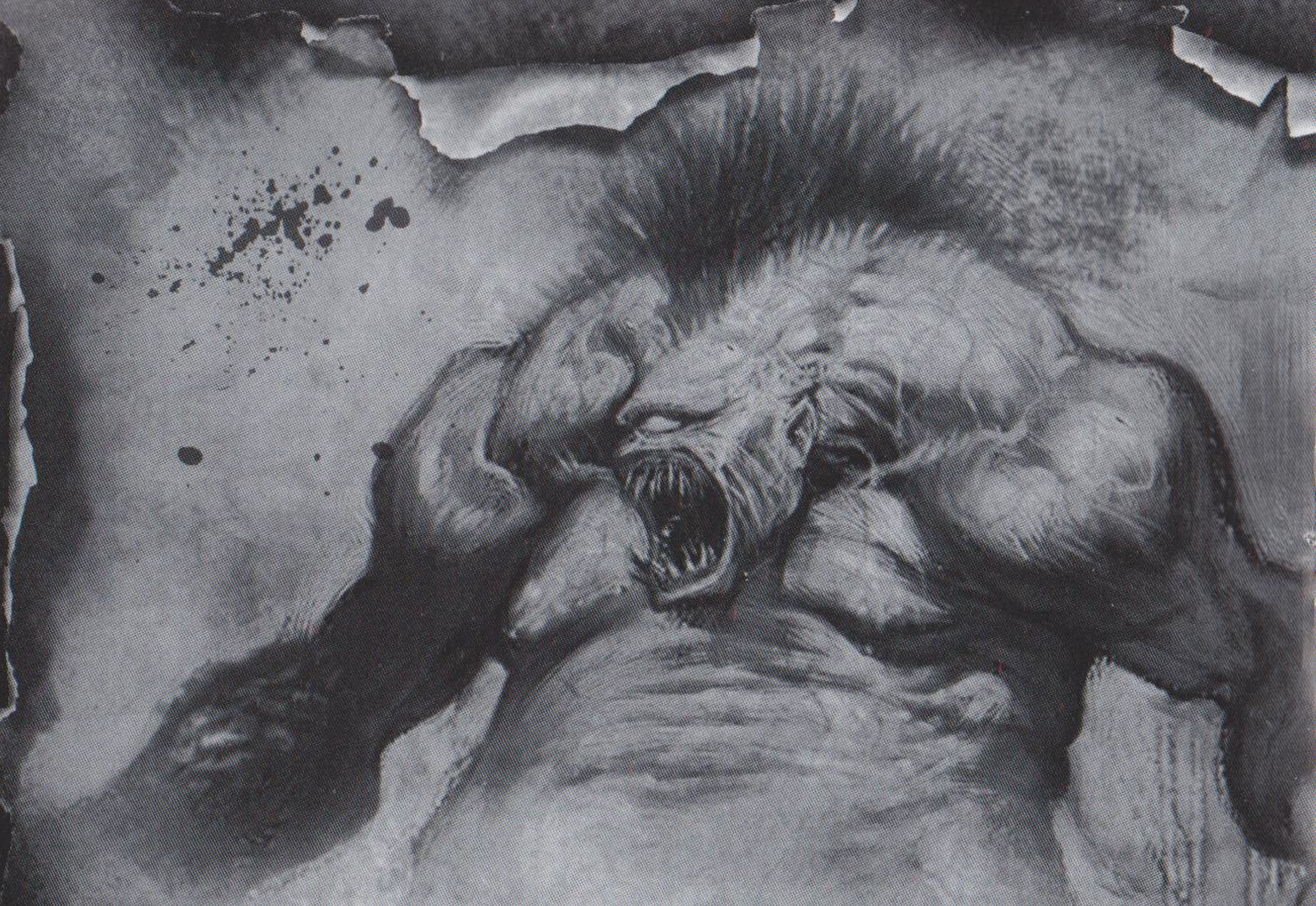
HYDRA

Tales of the Hydra, a reviled serpent-like beast terrorising the depths of the Aegean Sea, have been whispered on the hushed lips of petrified sailors for generations. Its attacks are fierce and a battle against one is sure to be arduous.



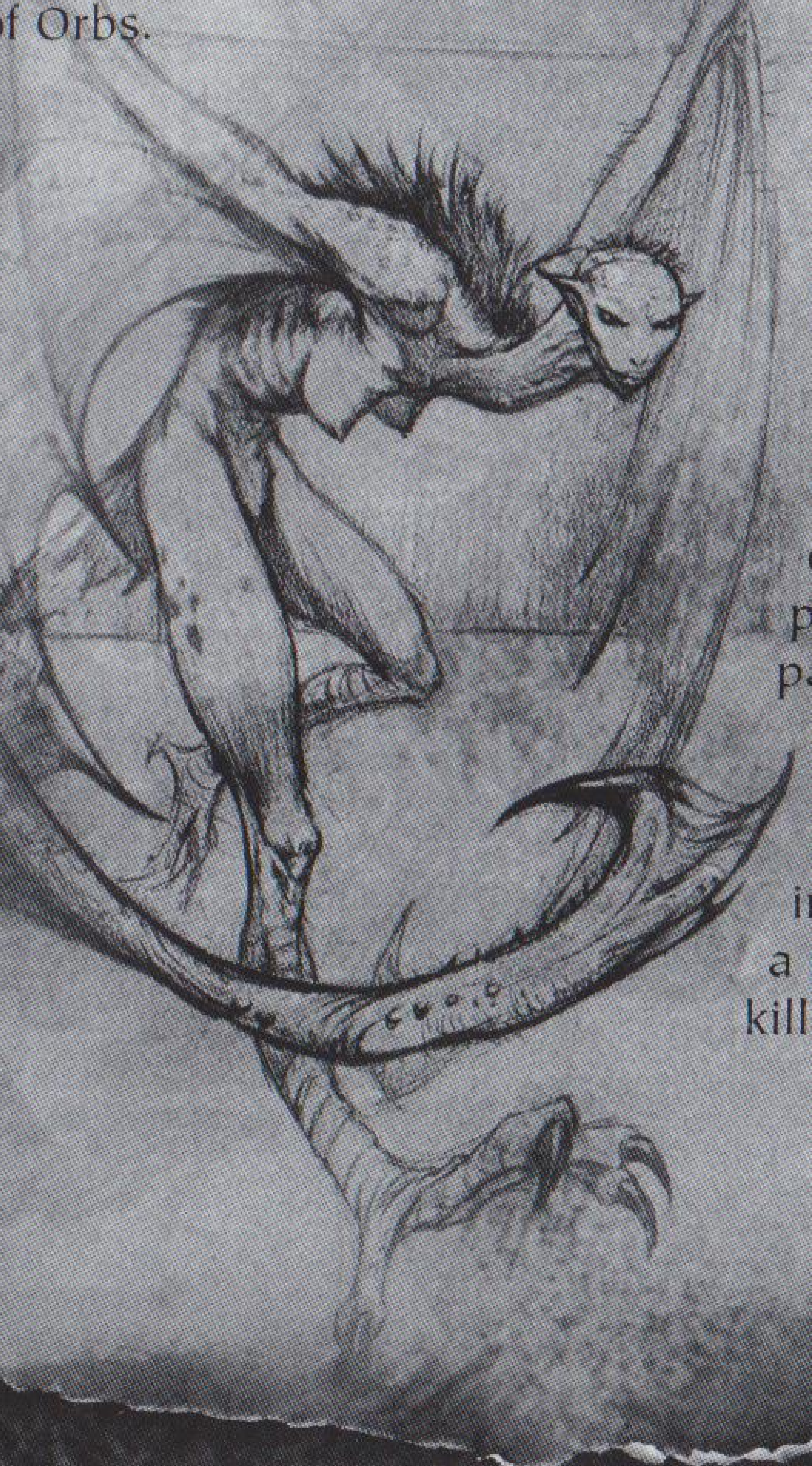
MINOTAUR

Fast, nimble and bloodthirsty, the Minotaur is half-man and half-bull. Once weakened, knocking these creatures to the ground when the ◎ button indicator is displayed and then rapidly tapping the ◎ button will cleave their heads in two.



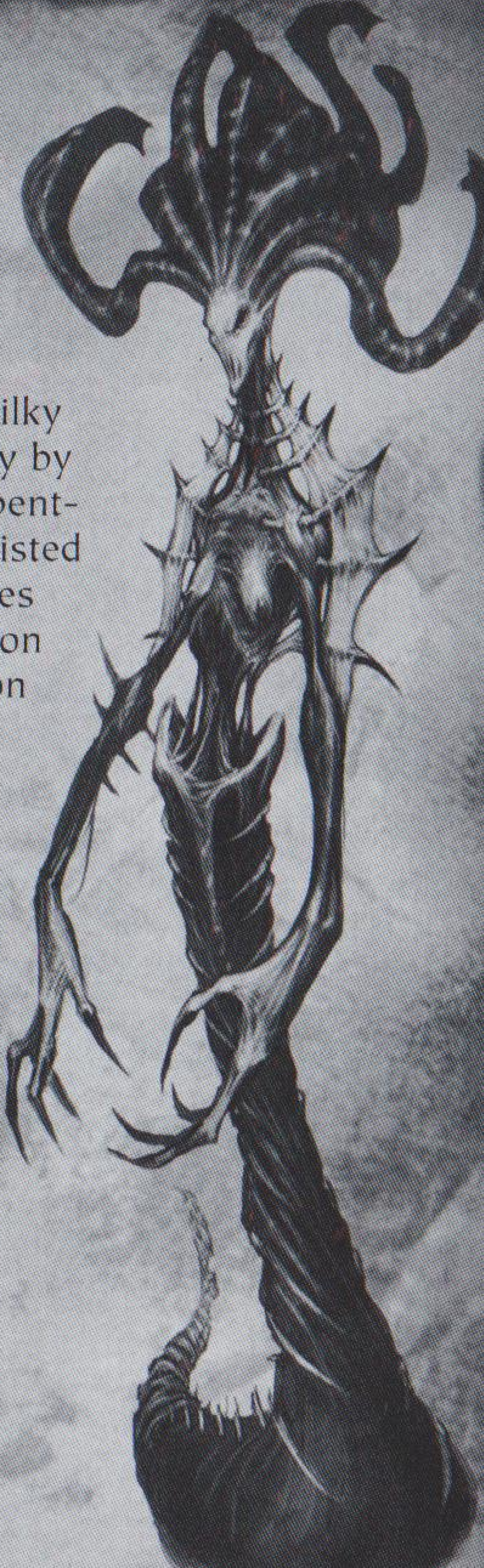
CYCLOPS

Huge one-eyed behemoths with a taste for human flesh, these lumbering beasts helped build Mount Olympus for the gods. Possessing thick hides, huge weapons and battle-worn skin, the Cyclops are almost invulnerable, but their weakness lies in their one large eye; hit the ◎ button when the indicator is displayed above the beast's head to gain lots of Orbs.



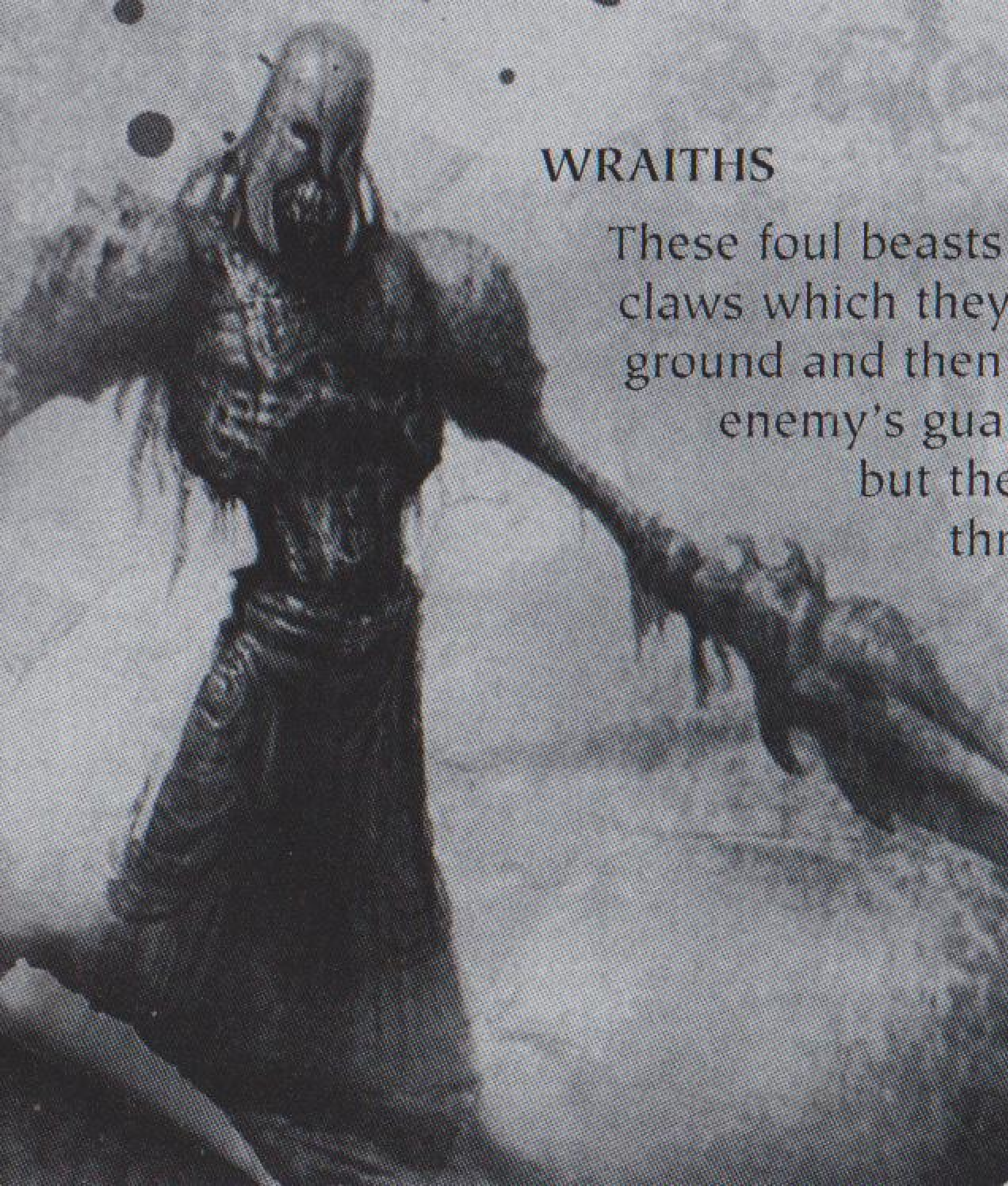
HARPIES

These disgusting bird-like creatures are in the service of Ares. They have the heads of grotesque maidens and possess long claws and faces pale with hunger. Agile when airborne, their swift attacks and lithe flying bodies make them a difficult target while in the air. Grabbing them with a press of the ◎ button will kill them with one hit.



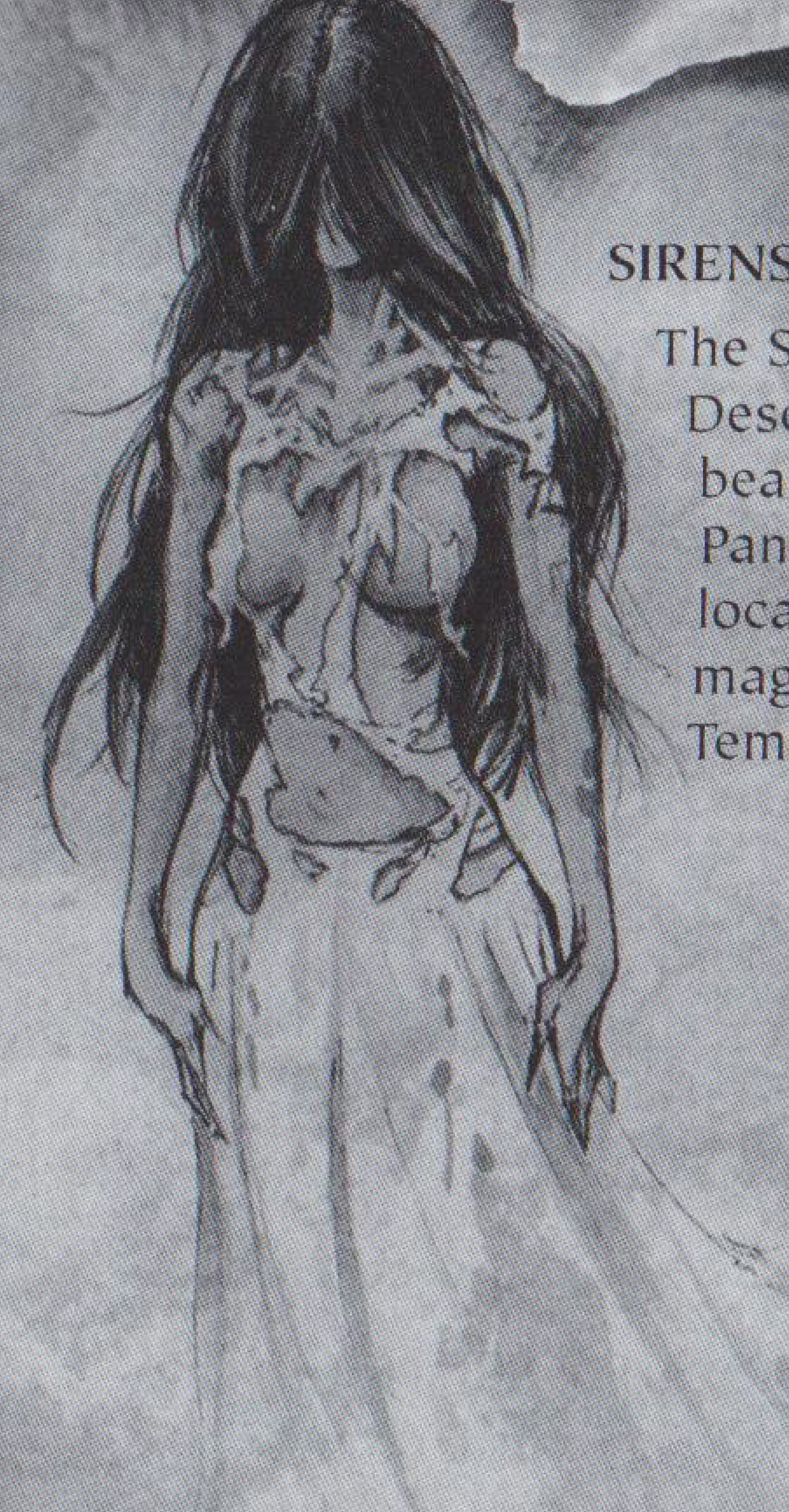
GORGONS

Once beautiful young women with long, silky hair, they were punished for their infidelity by Athena and transformed into hideous serpent-like monsters. Their beautiful hair was twisted into nests of hissing snakes and their stares could turn any living thing that looked upon them instantly into stone. Engage a Gorgon when it is weakened by pressing the ◎ button, then correctly execute the left analog stick movements to yield magic-providing Blue Orbs.



WRAITHS

These foul beasts are equipped with razor sharp claws which they use to burrow under the ground and then launch attacks when their enemy's guard is down. They are strong, but they can be easily grabbed and thrown to the ground.

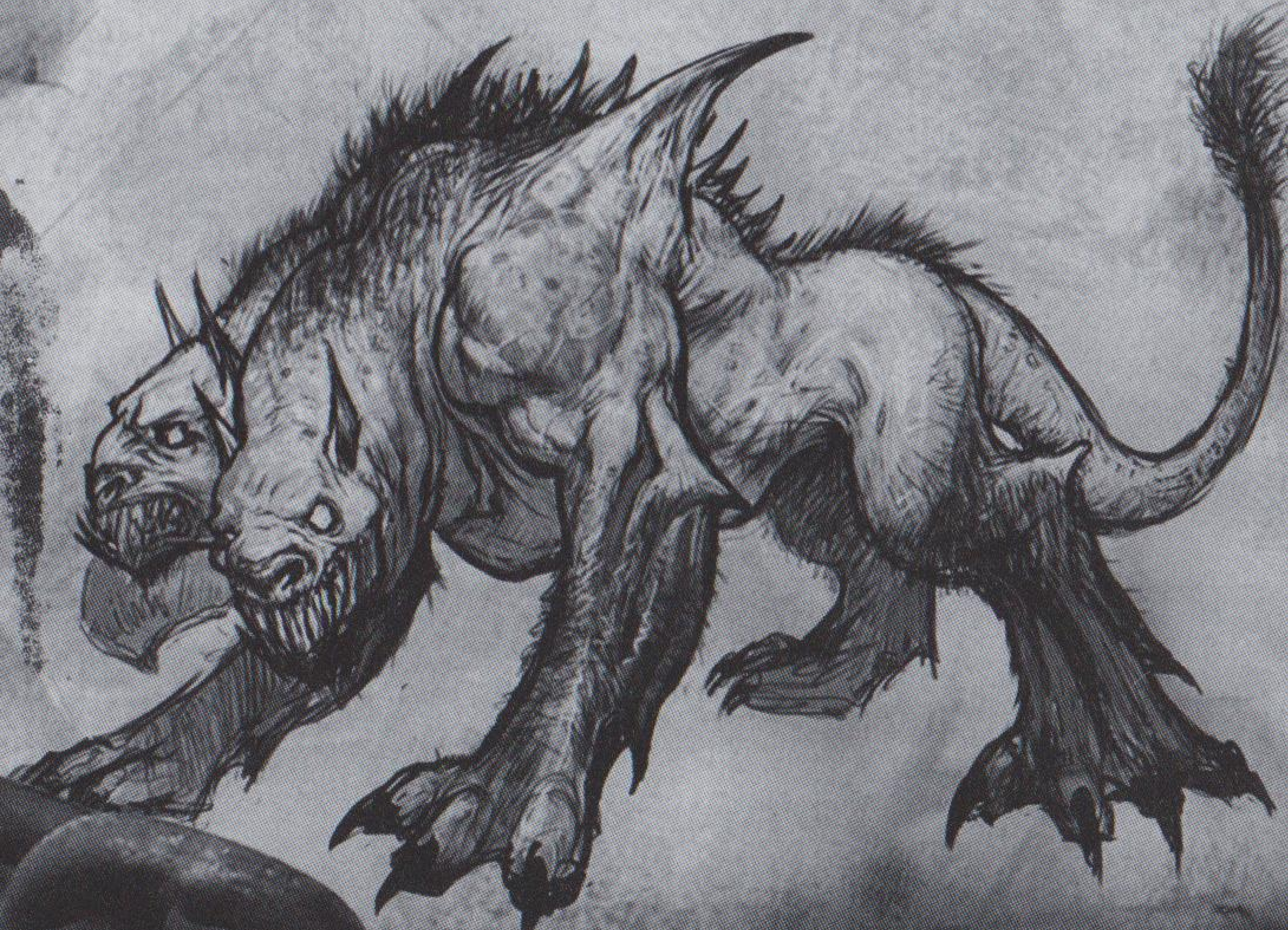


SIRENS

The Sirens were transported to the Desert of Lost Souls where their beautiful songs lured those seeking Pandora's Box. It is said that, by locating and killing three of these magical creatures, the path to the Temple of Pandora will be revealed.

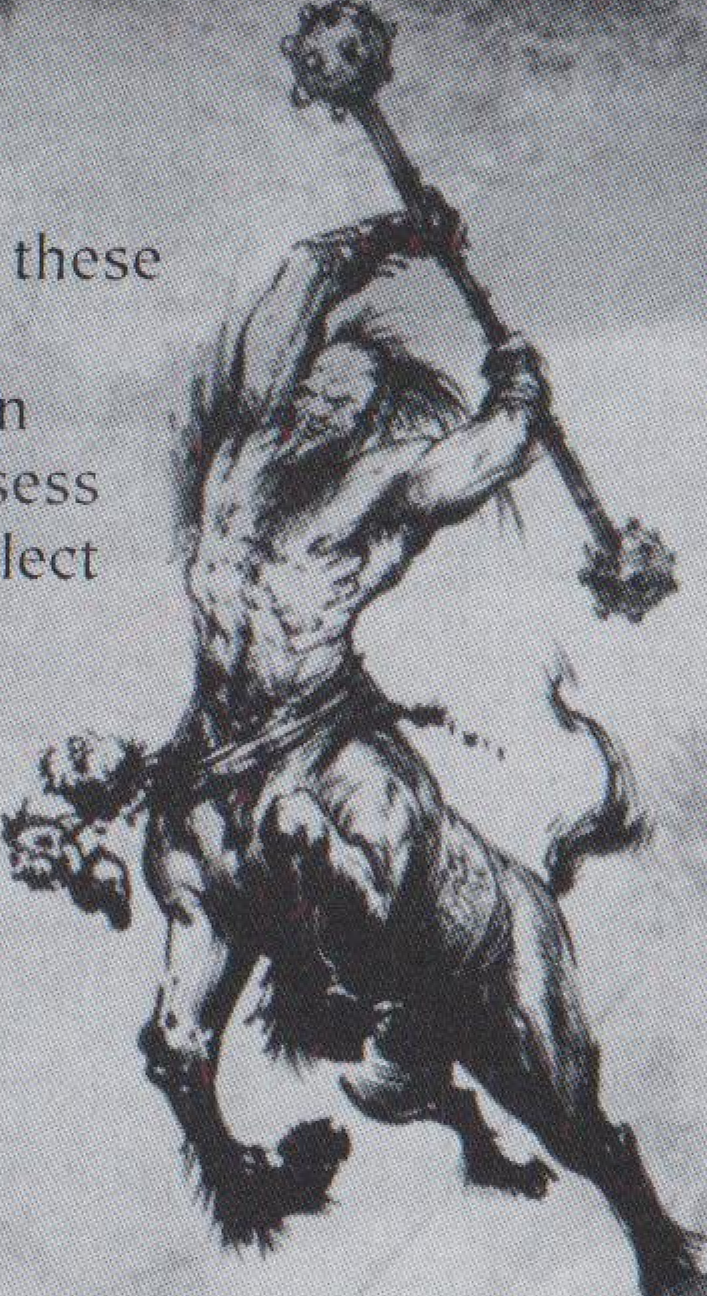
CERBERUS DOGS

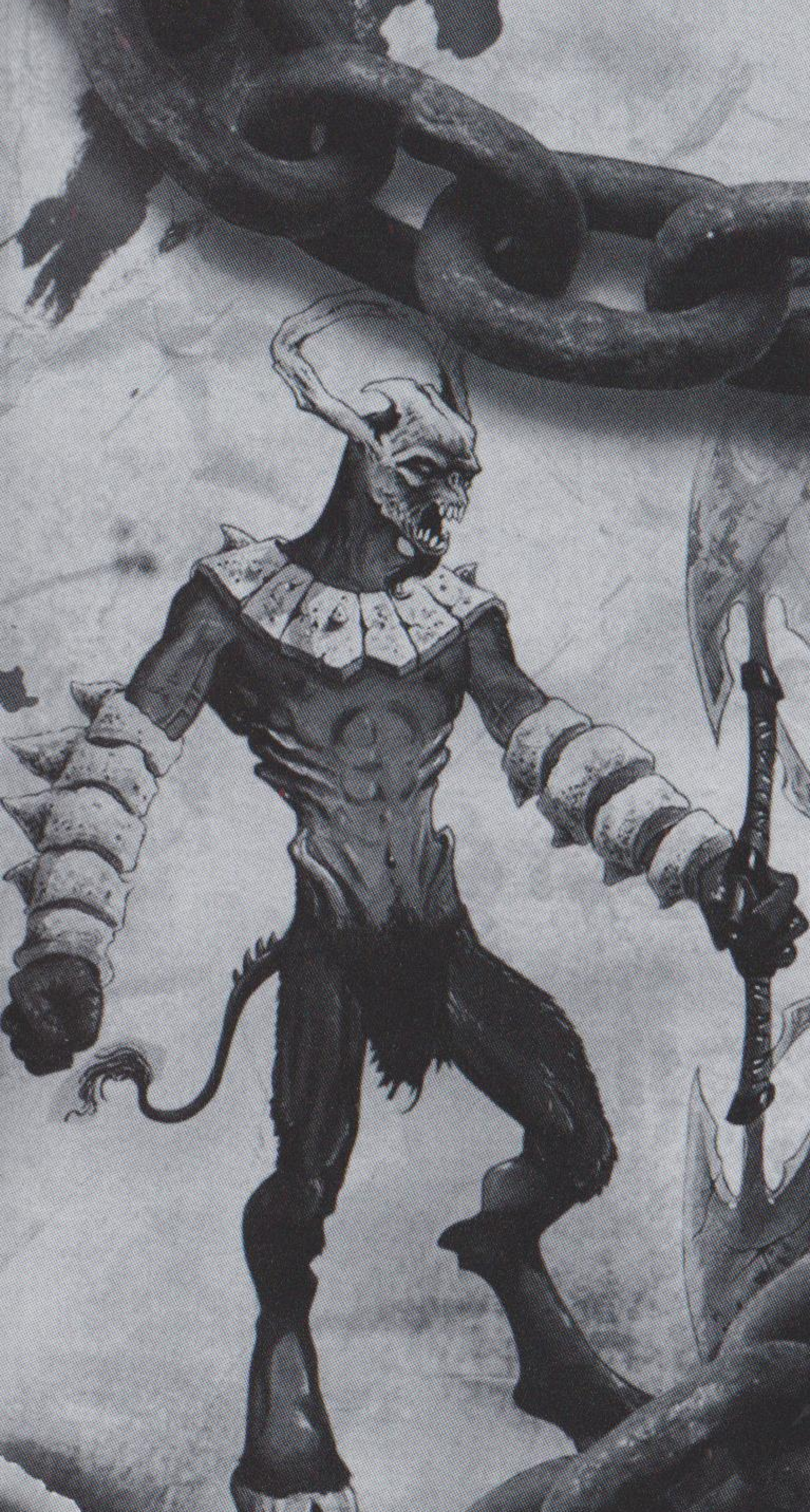
These three-headed, dragon-tailed dogs freely roam the Temple. In addition to their razor sharp teeth, and fiery projectiles these filthy creatures can throw up small puppies that, if given the opportunity, will quickly develop into fully-grown beasts.



CENTAURS

Part man, part horse, these savage creatures are much more beast than human, but they possess the strength and intellect of both races.





SATYRS

Similar to the Centaurs, the Satyrs are a mixed breed of goat and man. They are strong, quick and nimble, which makes them ideal for close combat. Press the ◎ button to grab them, then rapidly press the ◎ button to engage them in a battle of strength.

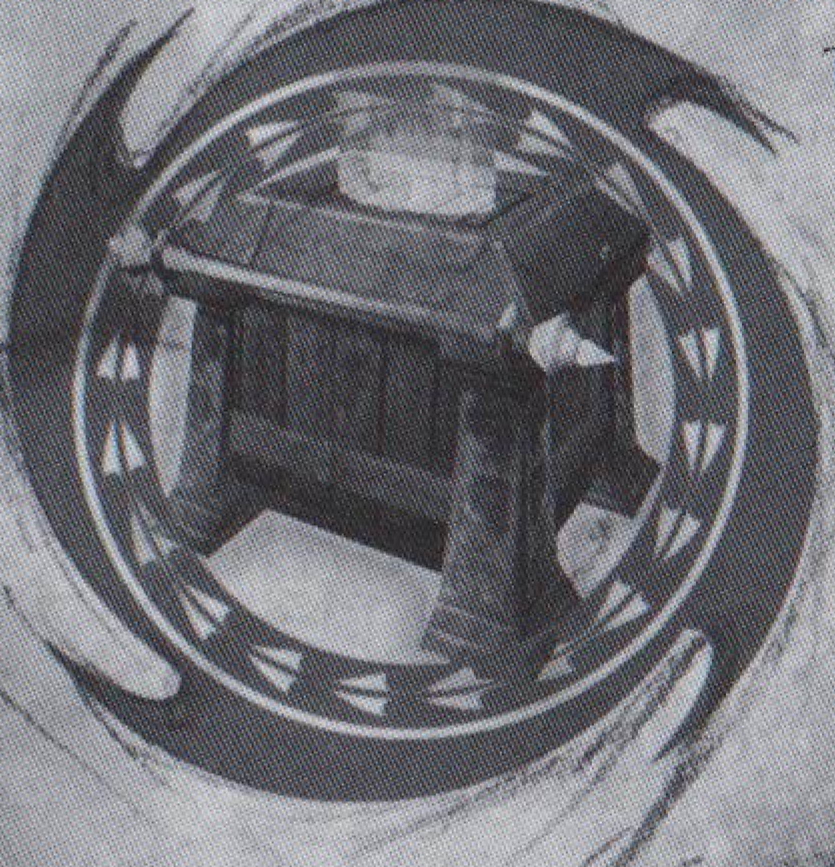
ITEMS AND RELICS

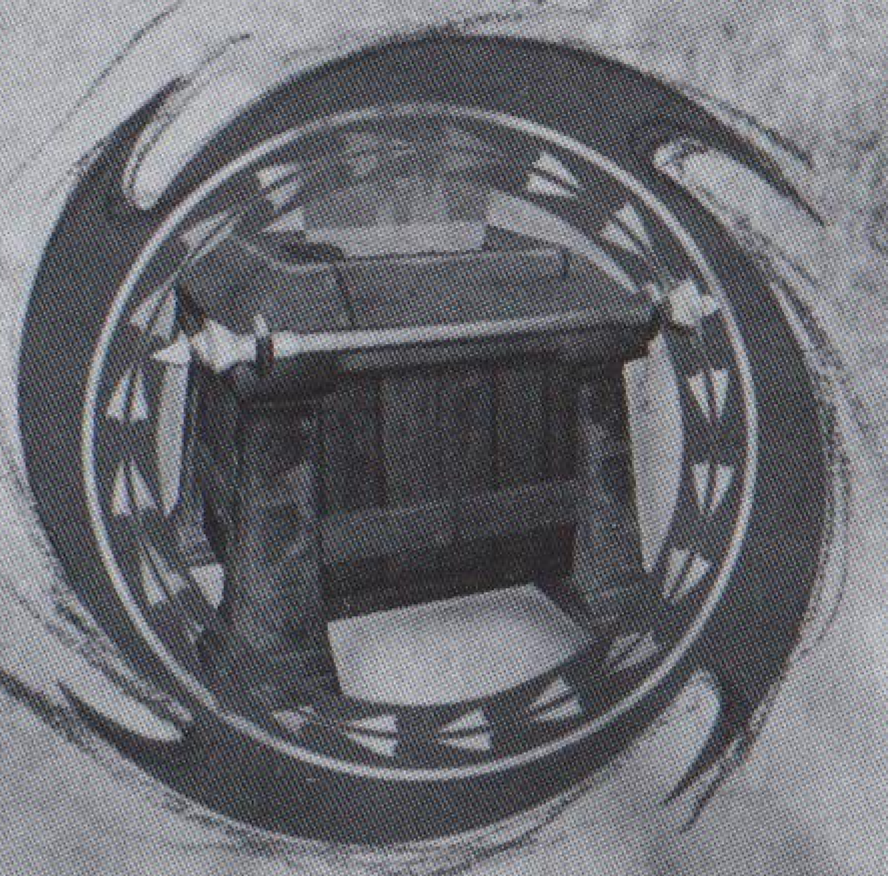
ORBS

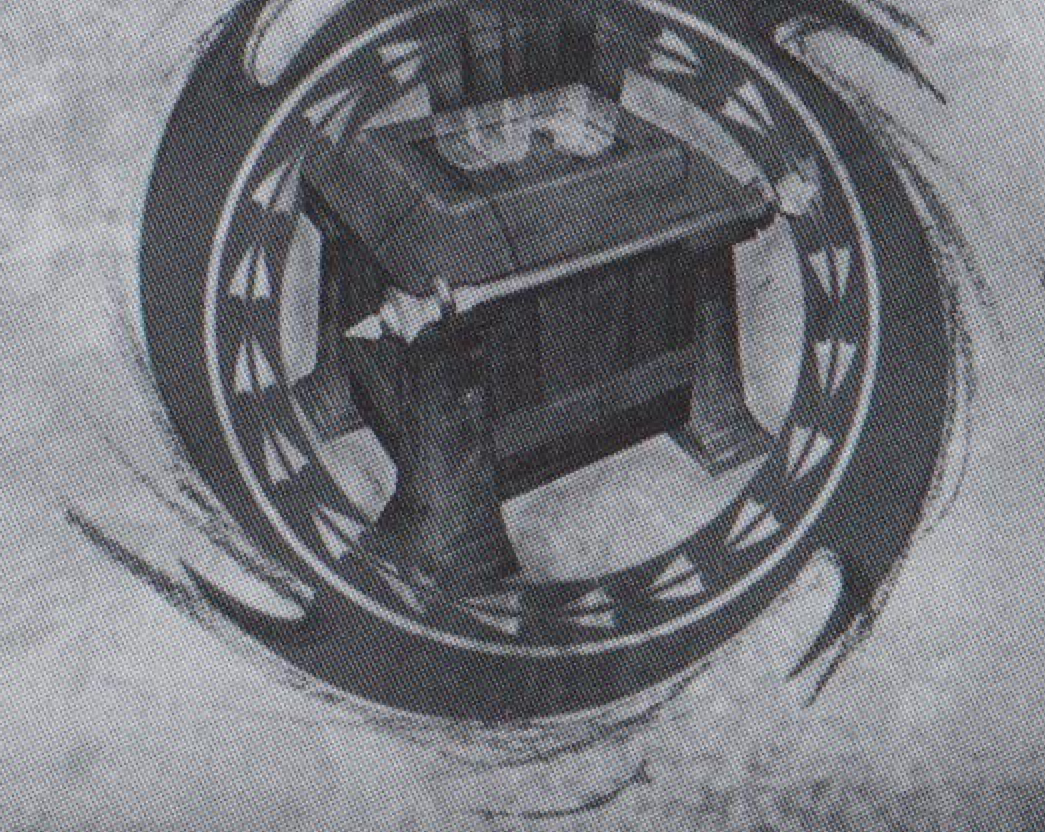
These Orbs come in three different colours - red, green and blue - each serving a distinct purpose. Red Orbs are Power Up Orbs, which can be used to upgrade Kratos' weapons and magical abilities. Red Orbs can be found by destroying environmental objects, or from fallen enemies and chests. Green Orbs are Health Orbs and will refill Kratos' Health Meter. Green Orbs can be gained by killing enemies and opening glowing green chests. Blue Orbs are Magic Orbs and refill Kratos' Magic Meter. Blue Orbs can be collected from fallen enemies, as well as from glowing blue chests.

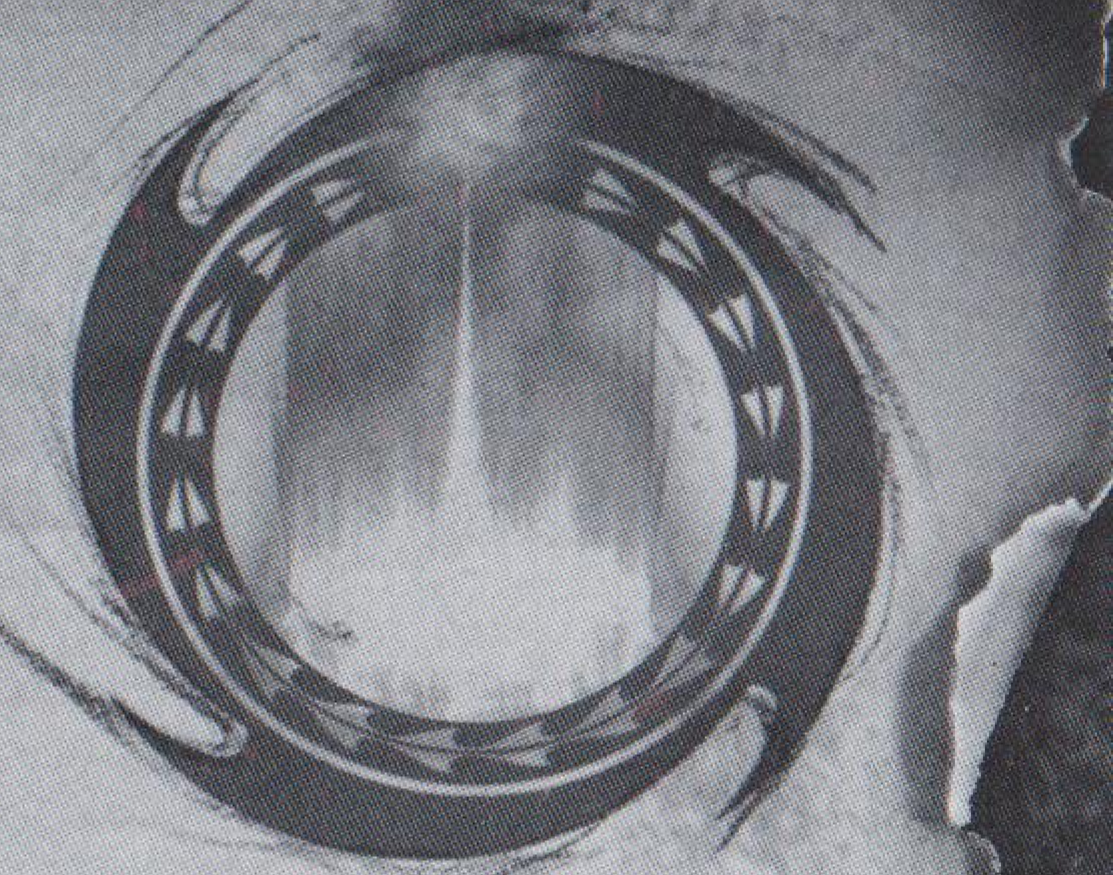
CHESTS

Throughout his quest, Kratos will often find chests, some of which are cleverly hidden within the environment. These chests hold a variety of useful items that will surely aid the warrior. To open a chest, stand in front of it and press and hold the R2 button.



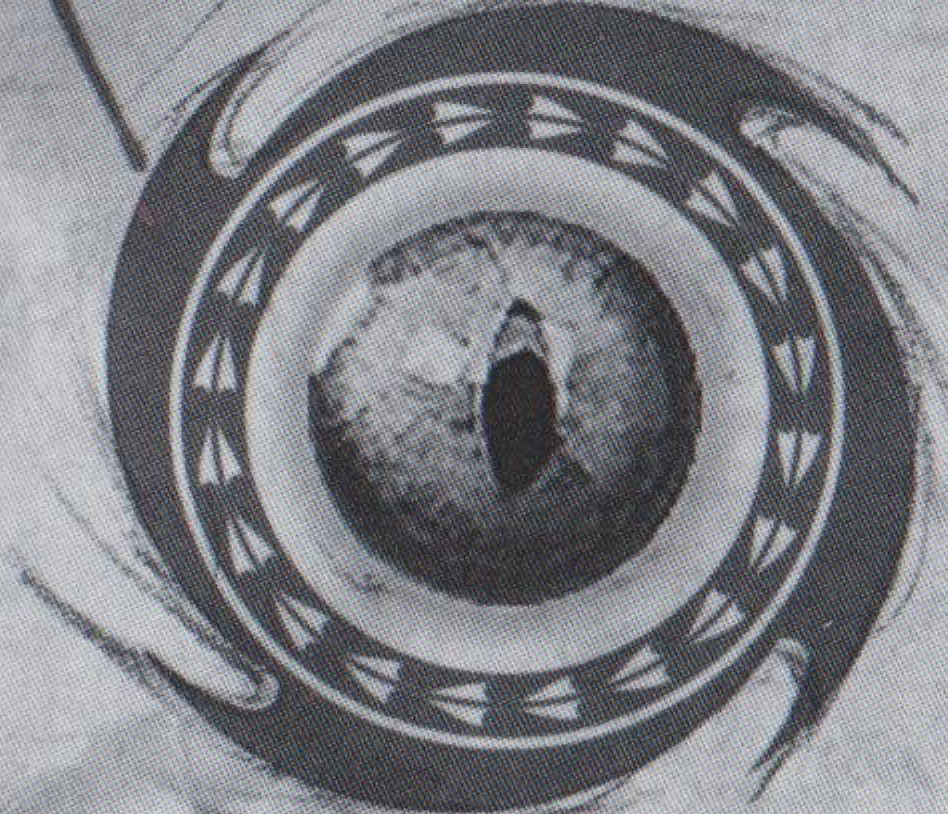






SAVE ALTAR

A glowing ray of light from the gods provides Kratos with the opportunity to save his progress. Any time you come across a Save Altar, step into the light and press the R2 button to save your game.



GORGON EYES

Gorgon Eyes are imbued with mysterious life giving properties. It is said that by collecting six eyes from a Gorgon, your Health Meter will increase one level.

PHOENIX FEATHERS

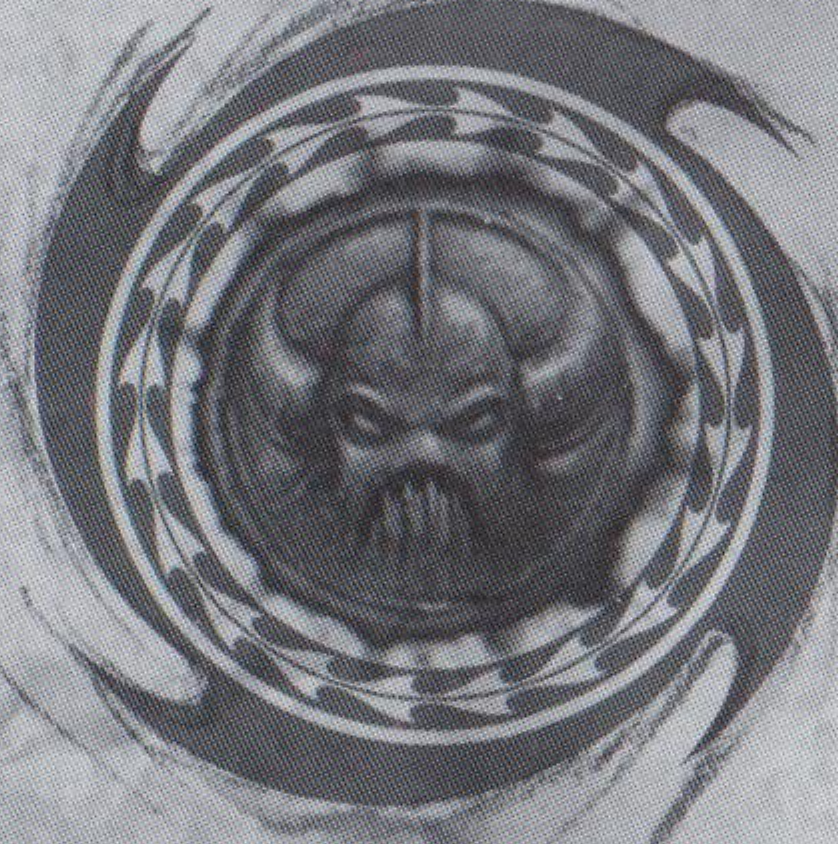
The feathers of the mythical phoenix have the power to grant their owner enhanced magic. It is said that by collecting six of them, your Magic Meter will increase by one level.

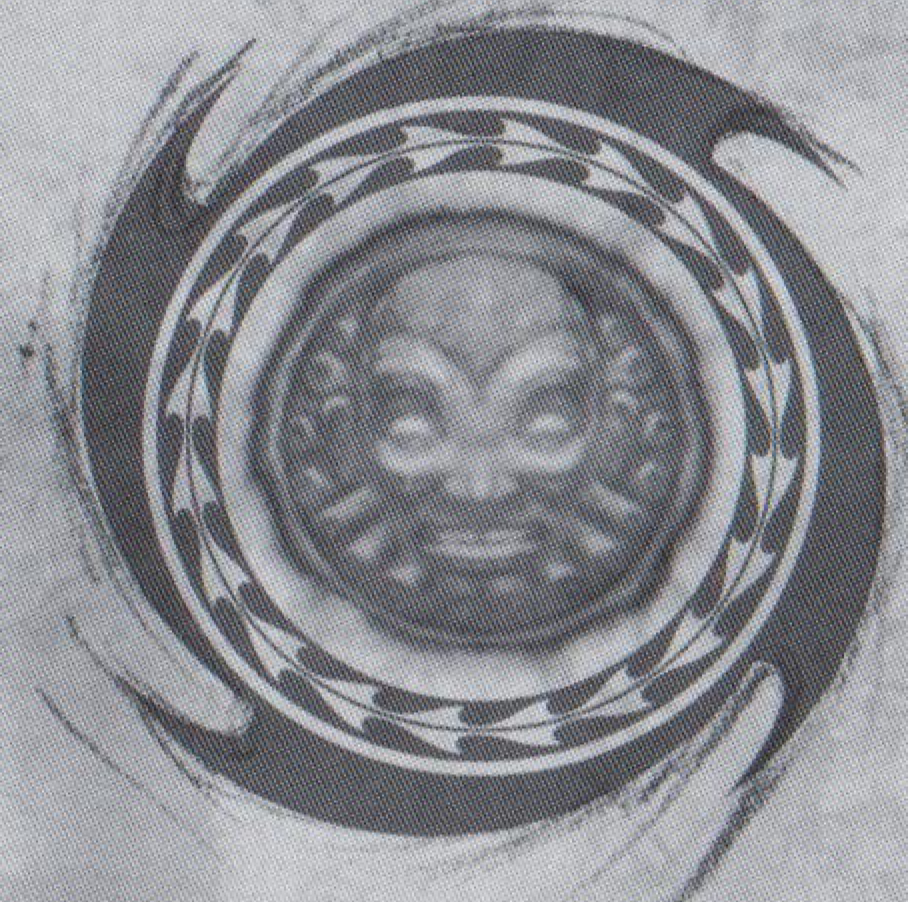
POSEIDON'S TRIDENT

The Trident of Lord Poseidon. Once found, Kratos will be able to swim and breathe underwater. To swim up, hold the △ button, to swim down, hold the □ button, and to dash with a speed burst, hold the R1 button to charge and then release.

HADES' SHIELD

One of two shields used by the gods in the war against the Titans. When used in conjunction with a second shield, Hades' shield holds the power to grant passage deeper into Pandora's Temple. Beware of traps that may befall those who attempt to take it.



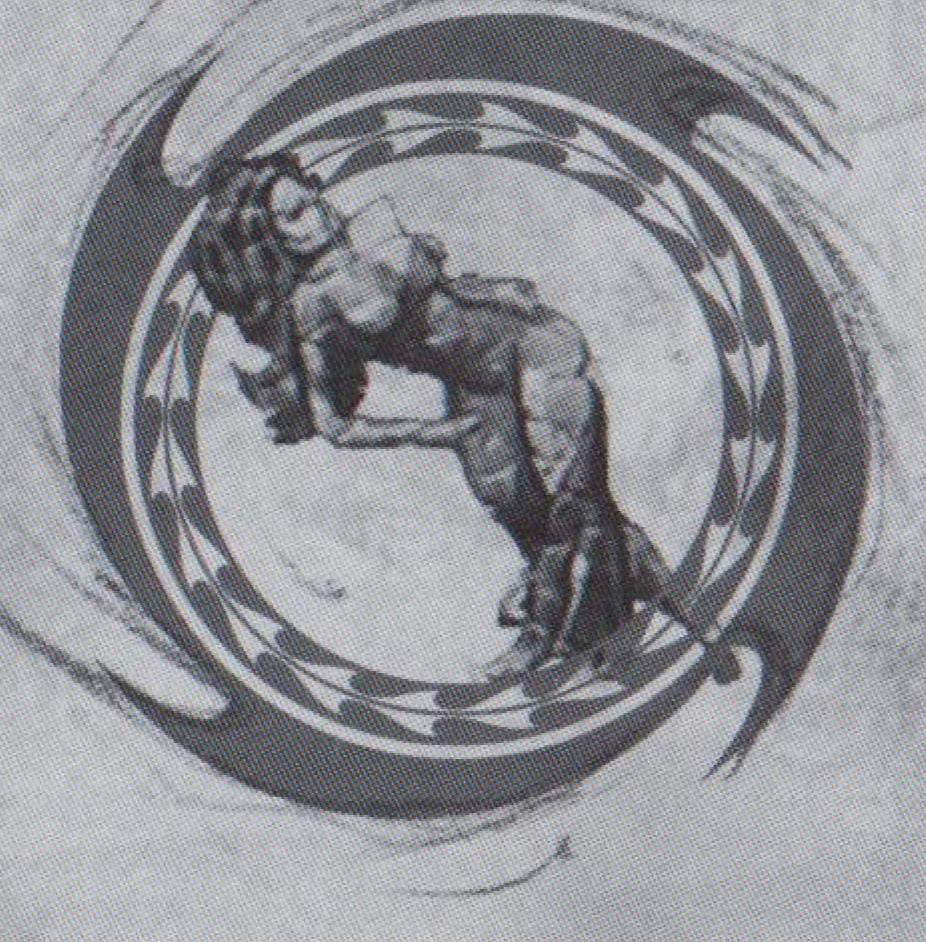


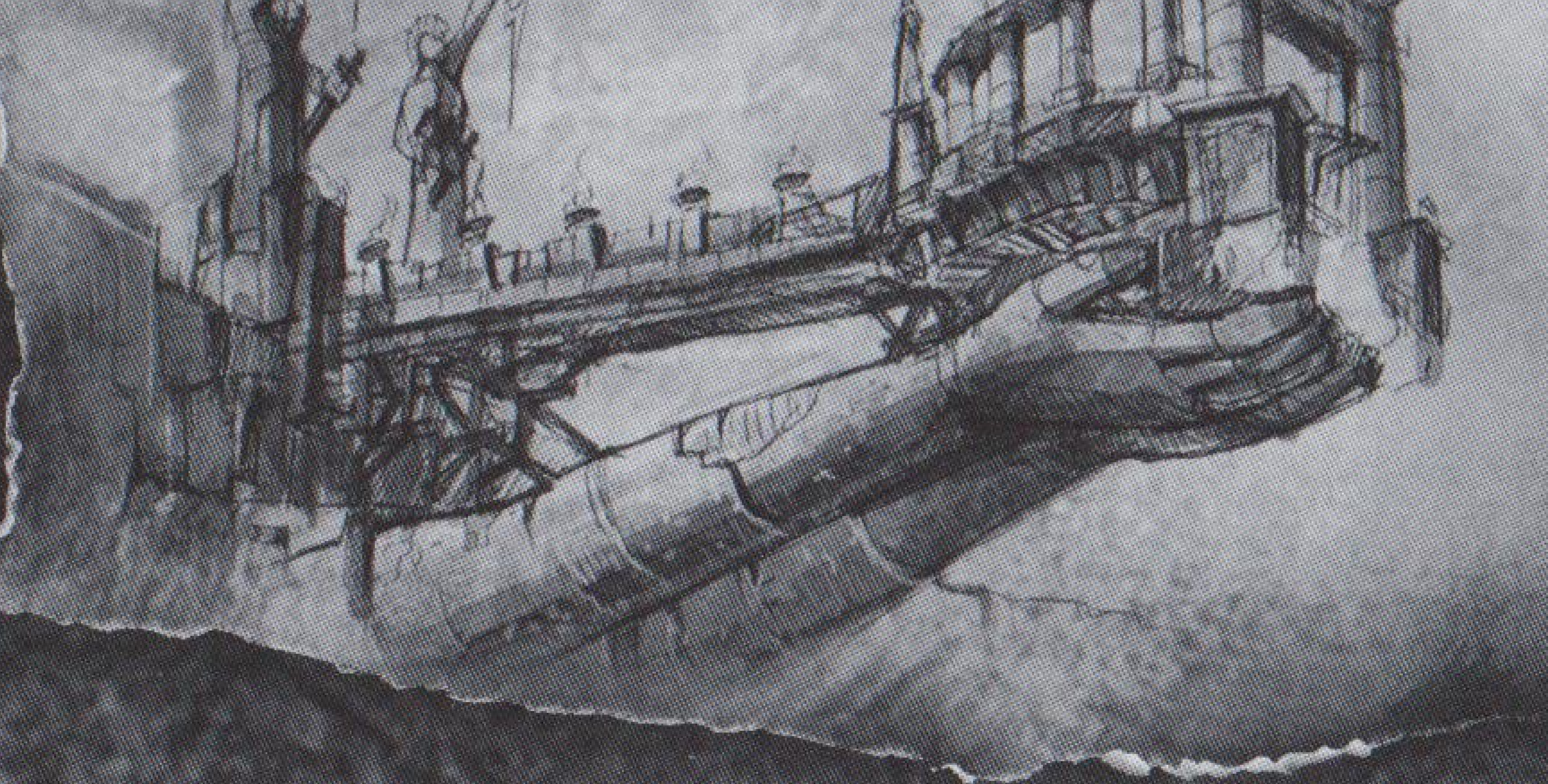
ZEUS' SHIELD

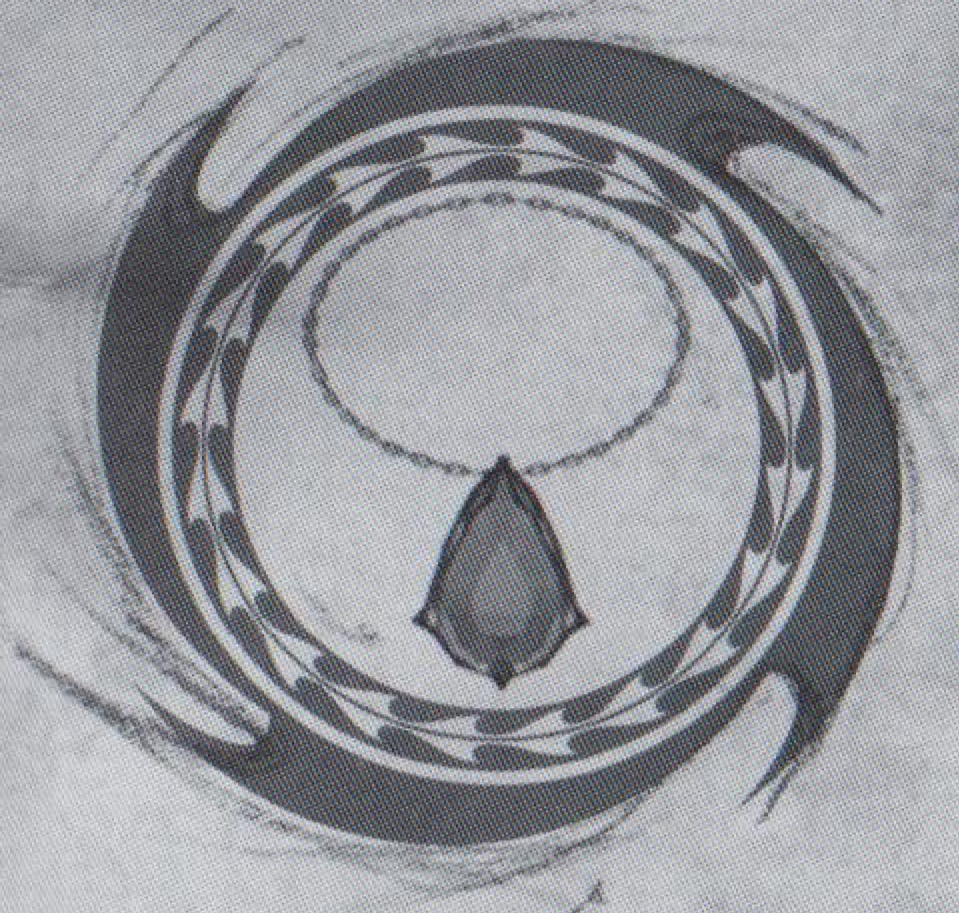
The second shield used by the gods in the war against the Titans; when set within its place of honour alongside another, Zeus' shield will grant passage deeper into Pandora's Temple.

MUSE KEYS

The Muses are the daughters of Zeus. As the goddesses of music, poetry, the arts and science, the Muses embodied the more civilised aspects of human existence. Only two Muse keys exist in the world. If uncovered, they may lead their owner to untold riches.





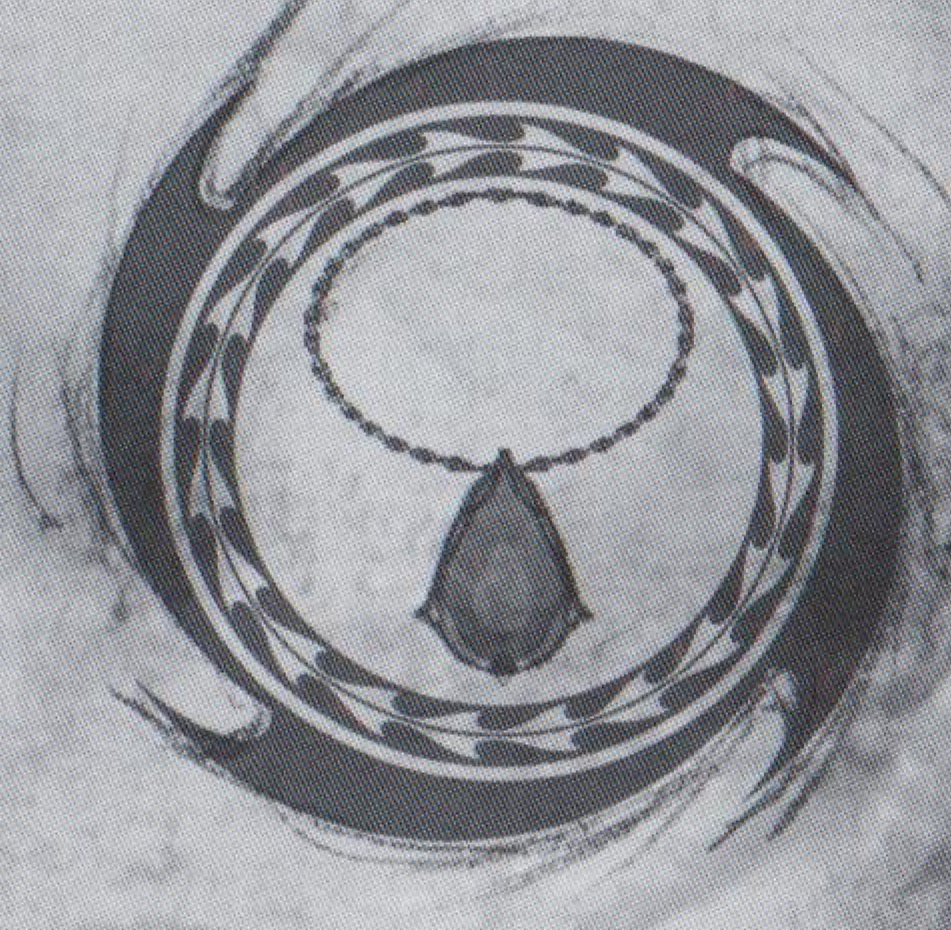


NECKLACE OF HERA

A beautiful piece of jewellery only befit for a goddess. Hidden deep inside the Temple of Pandora, when found and used in conjunction with a second necklace, its powers may reveal new paths.

NECKLACE OF APHRODITE

A second necklace hidden inside the Temple of Pandora. When paired with its sister, this mysterious trinket may help its finder make new discoveries.

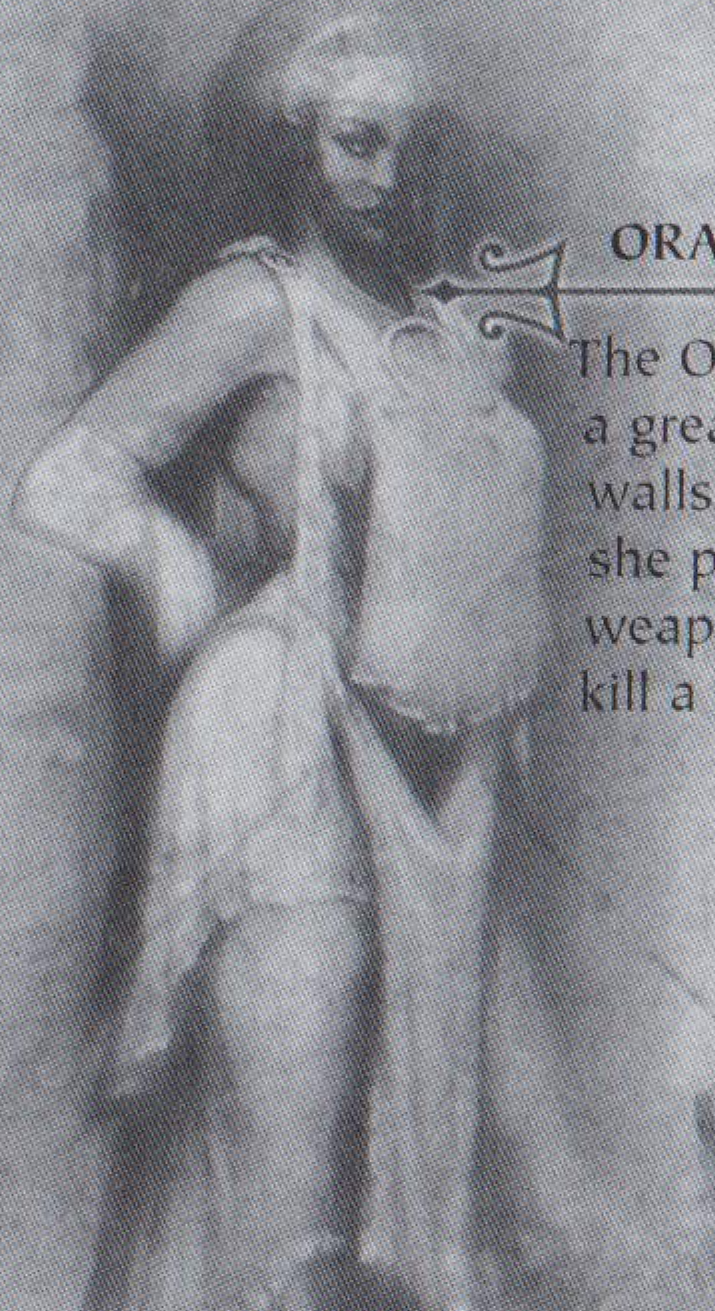


NYADS

Known to preside over bodies of fresh-water, kiss these mysterious daughters of Poseidon when you encounter them; if you can catch them that is.

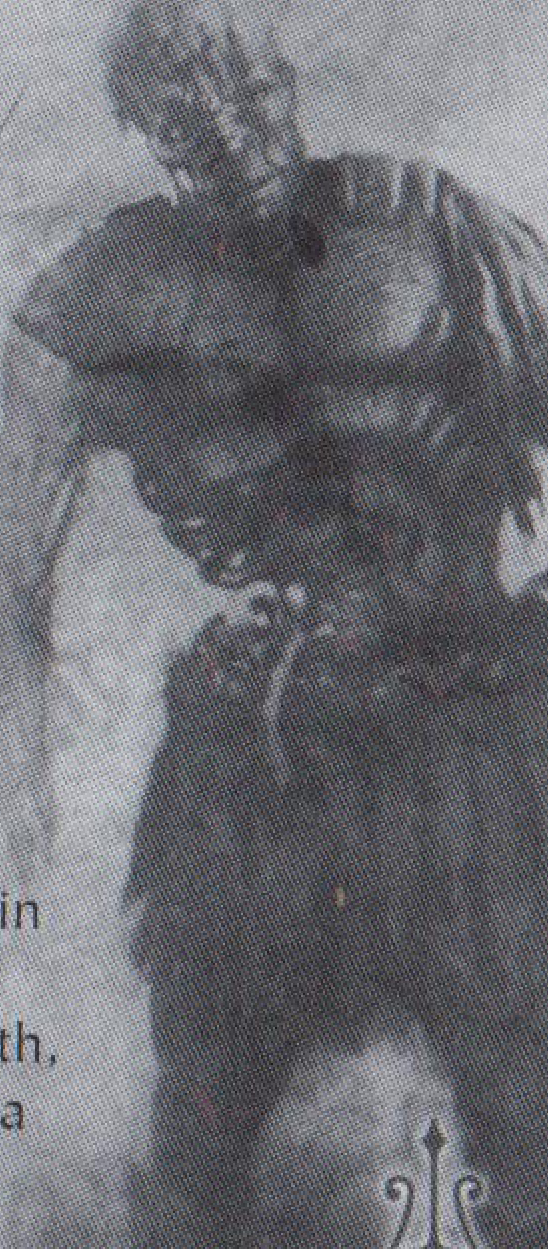
PEOPLE OF ANCIENT GREECE

ATHENA: *There are other roles in this tragedy that must be filled. These players will face danger, love, redemption and, ultimately death. It is unfortunate, but it is the will of the gods and it must be so.*



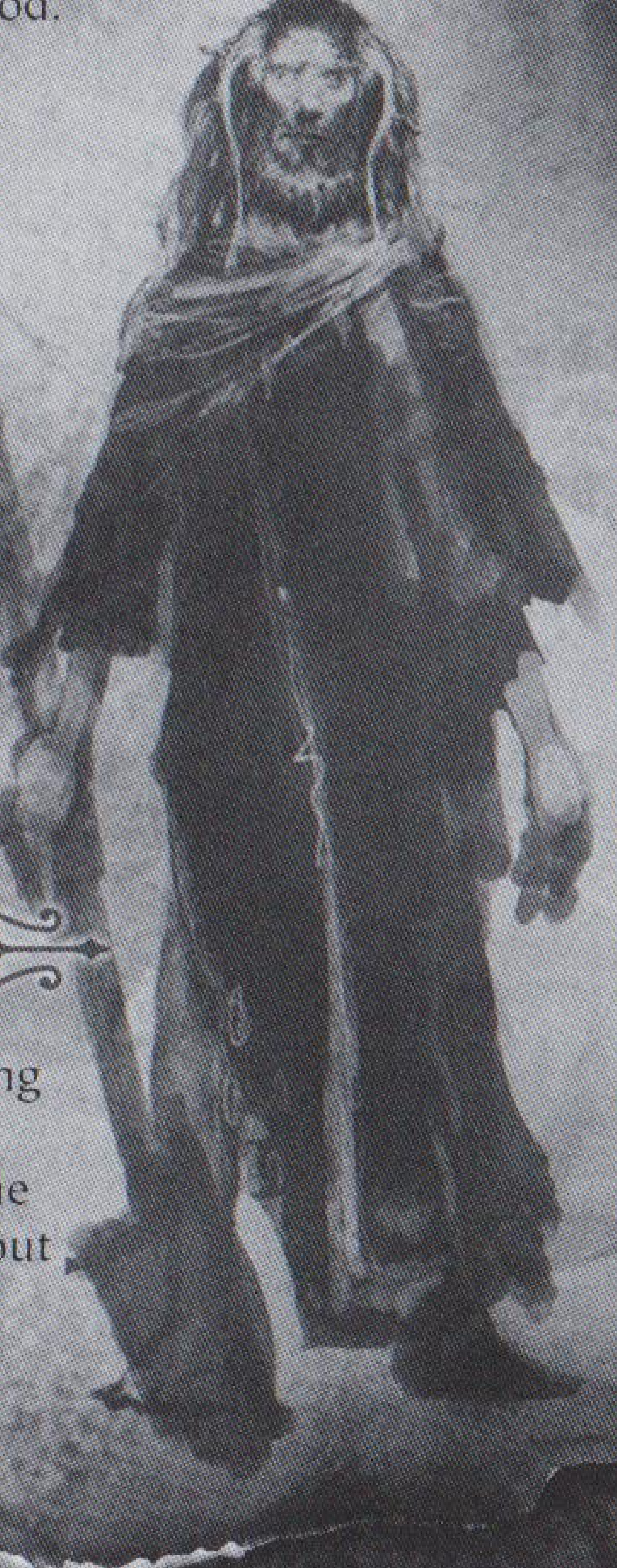
ORACLE OF ATHENS

The Oracle of Athens resides in a great temple inside the city walls. Bearer of light and truth, she possesses knowledge of a weapon powerful enough to kill a god.



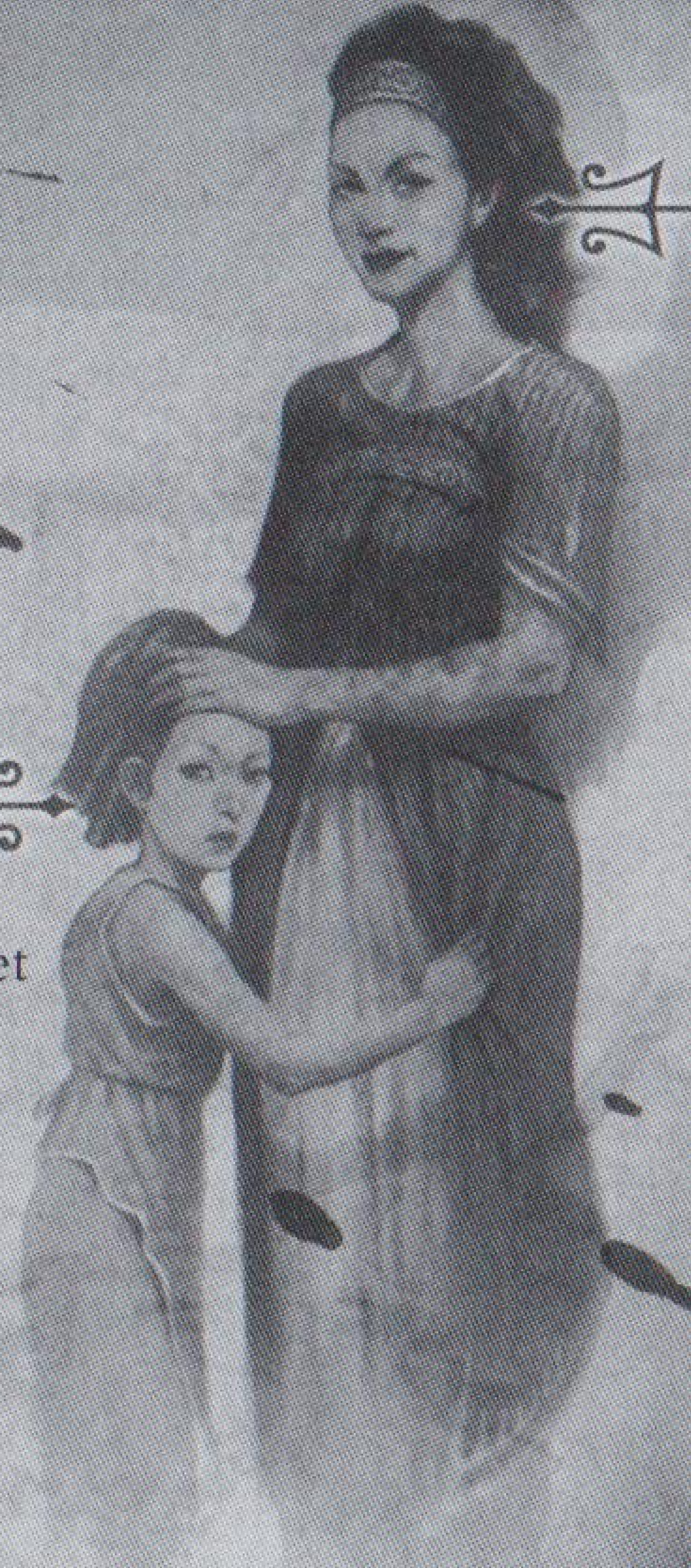
THE BODY BURNER

The first to attempt to uncover the treasures of Pandora, this poor soul was punished by the gods for his failure. His curse is to forever watch over the entrance, opening its gates for those foolish enough to follow in his footsteps, and then throwing their dead bodies on top of its pyre.



THE GRAVEDIGGER OF ATHENS

This strange, senile old man can be found digging a grave for Kratos in Athens. For a peasant, he seems to know a lot about the Spartan warrior.

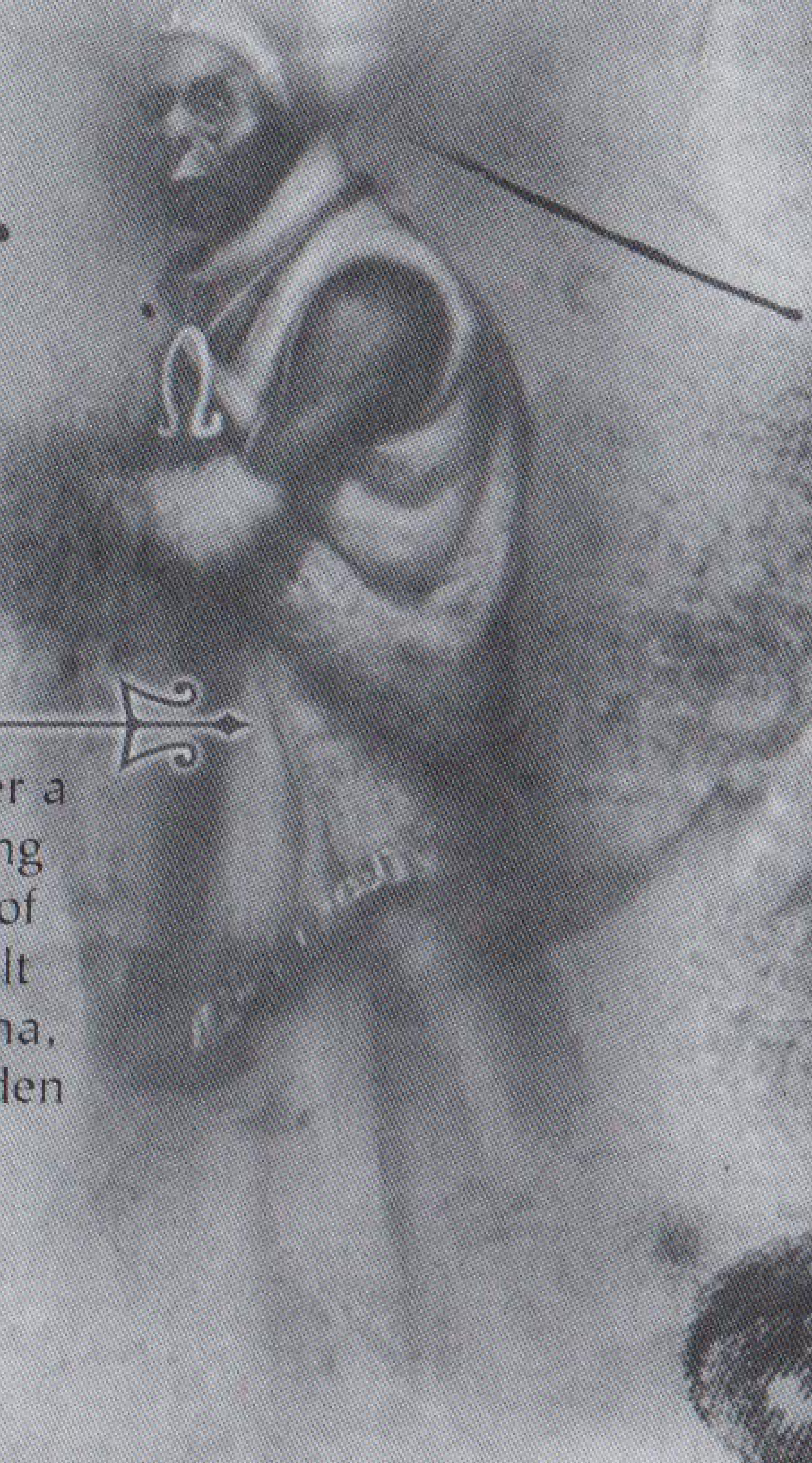


WIFE OF KRATOS

The young and beautiful wife of the Spartan; when all else feared and worshipped him, she was the only one to brave his fury.

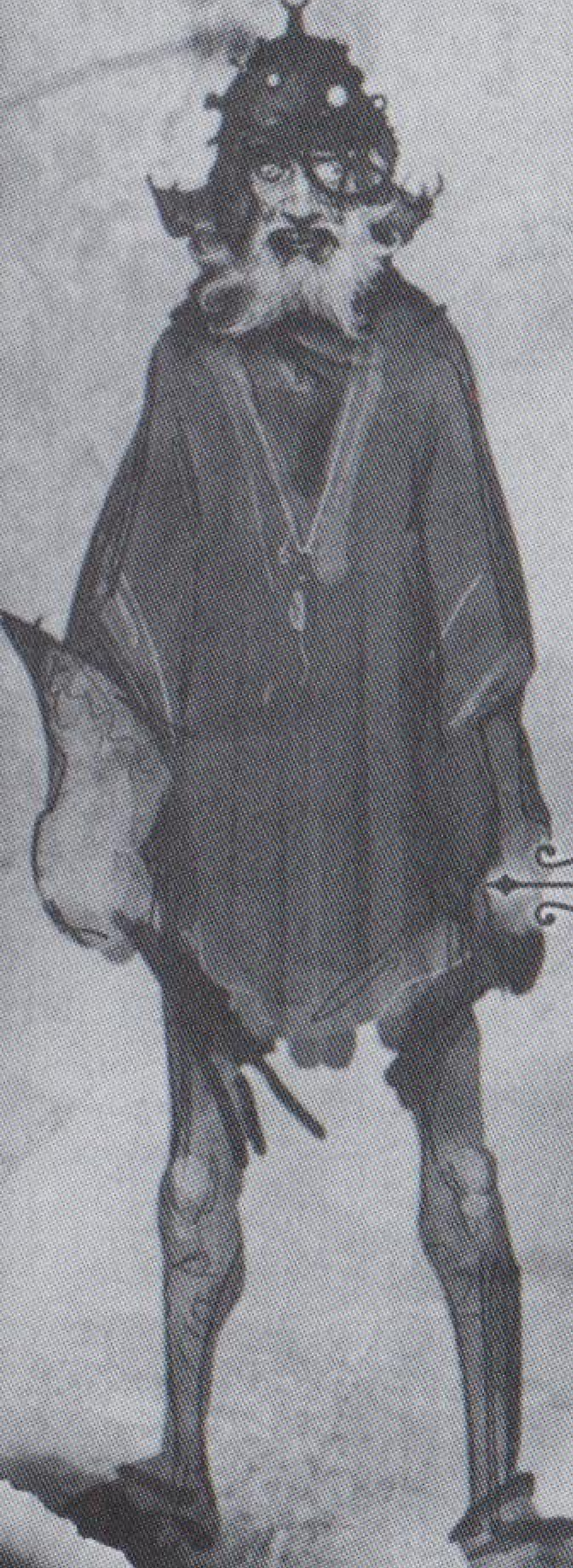
DAUGHTER OF KRATOS

Kratos' only child loved her father yet was as afraid of his fury and rage as everyone else.



THE VILLAGE ORACLE

This oracle watches over a temple in a small farming village on the outskirts of Athens. The temple, built to offer prayers to Athena, holds something forbidden to Kratos.

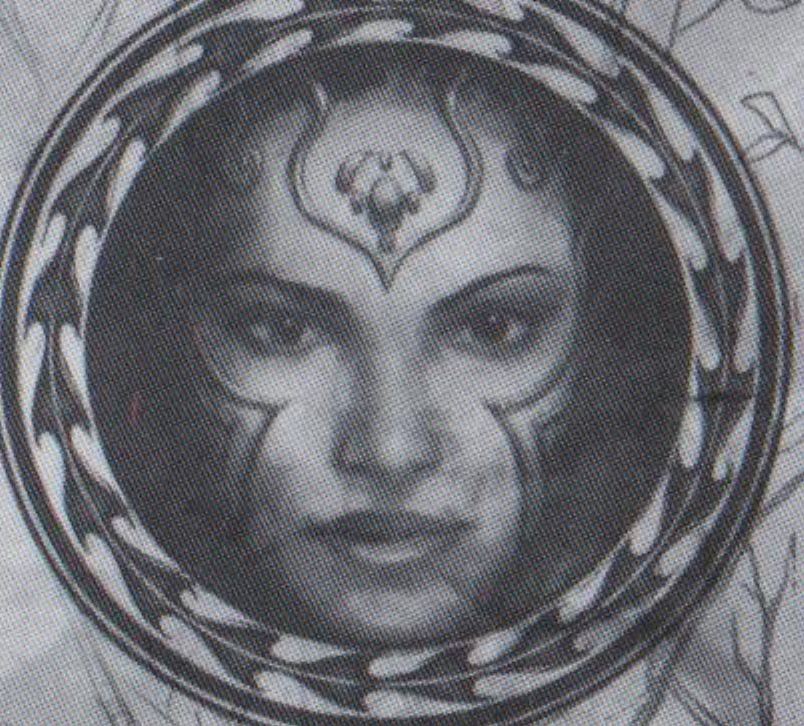


ARCHITECT OF THE TEMPLE OF PANDORA

Loyal subject and draughtsman to the gods, the Architect and his two sons dedicated their lives to building Pandora's Temple. It is said that he may even be alive inside its walls, still trying to appease the gods who abandoned him years ago.

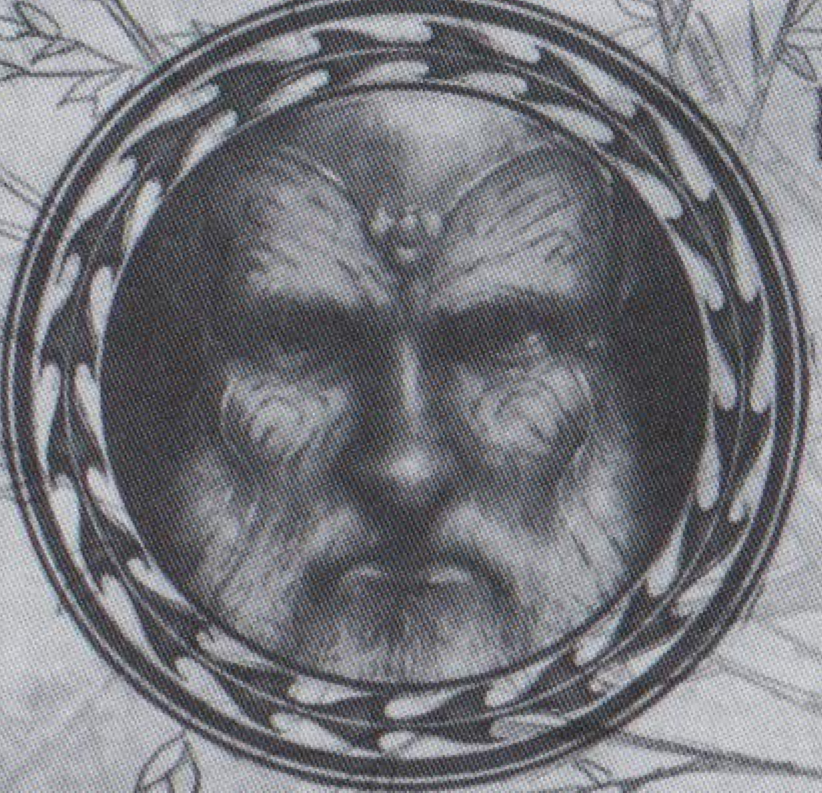
THE GODS

ATHENA



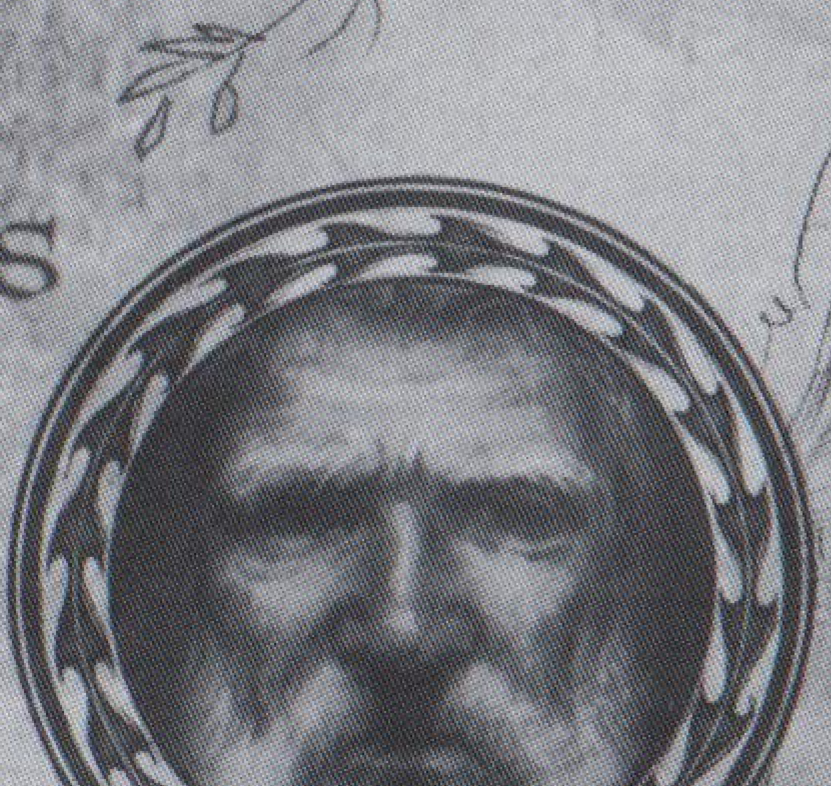
Athena is the daughter of Zeus. She is a fierce and brave warrior, but only fights when her city is in peril from outsiders. She is the goddess of the city of Athens and is the embodiment of wisdom, reason, and purity.

POSEIDON

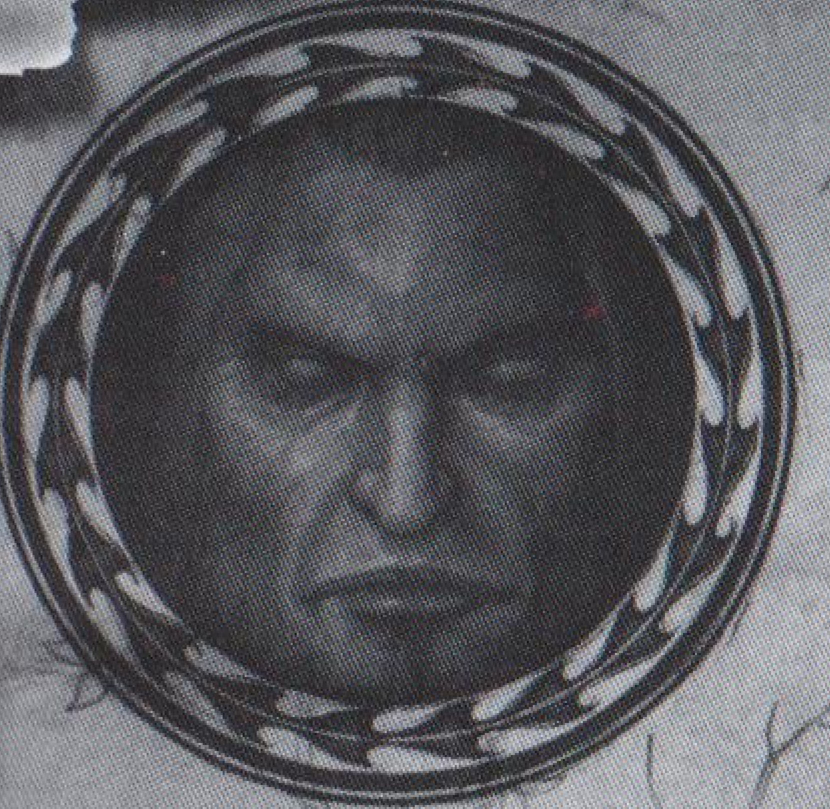


Second only in eminence to his brother, Zeus, Poseidon is the ruler of the Seas. Carrying a trident with which he can shake and shatter whatever he pleases, Poseidon can bring the rage of the ocean down upon those who anger him.

ZEUS



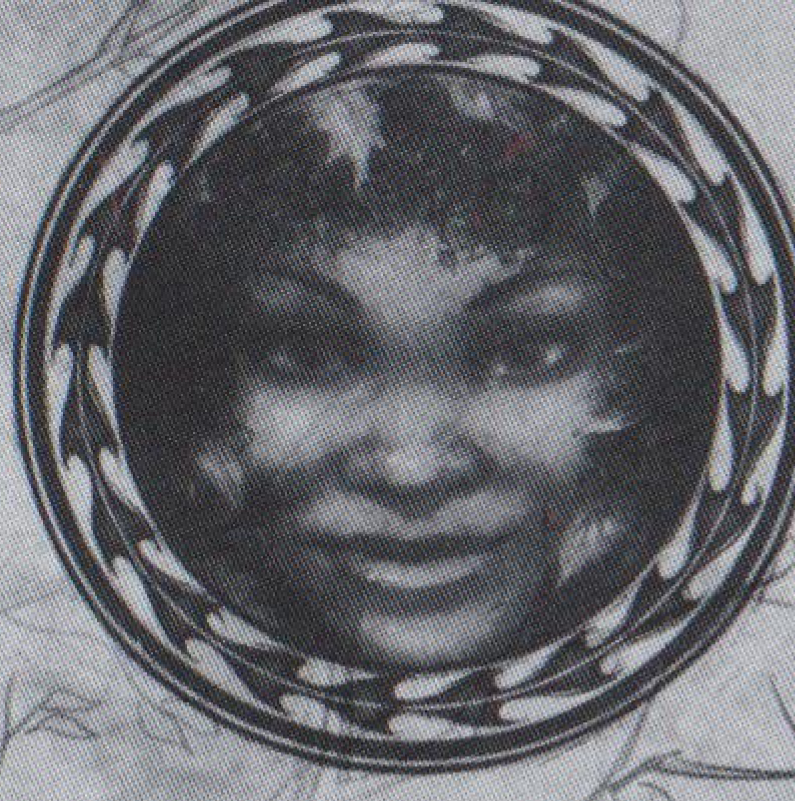
The supreme ruler of the gods, Zeus reigns over the sky, while his brothers Poseidon and Hades rule the seas and underworld. As lord of the sky and rain, Zeus wields deadly thunderbolts, which he can hurl at those who displease him.



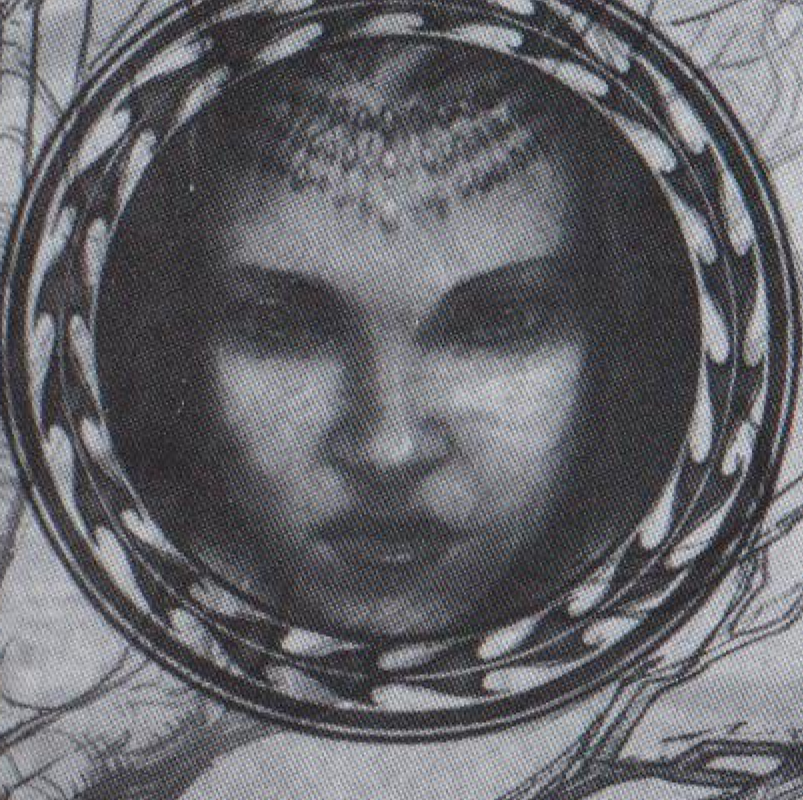
ARES

The god of war, Ares is the son of Zeus and Hera, both of whom detest him. Considered murderous and bloodstained, Ares is also a coward and will manipulate others to do his bidding.

ARTEMIS



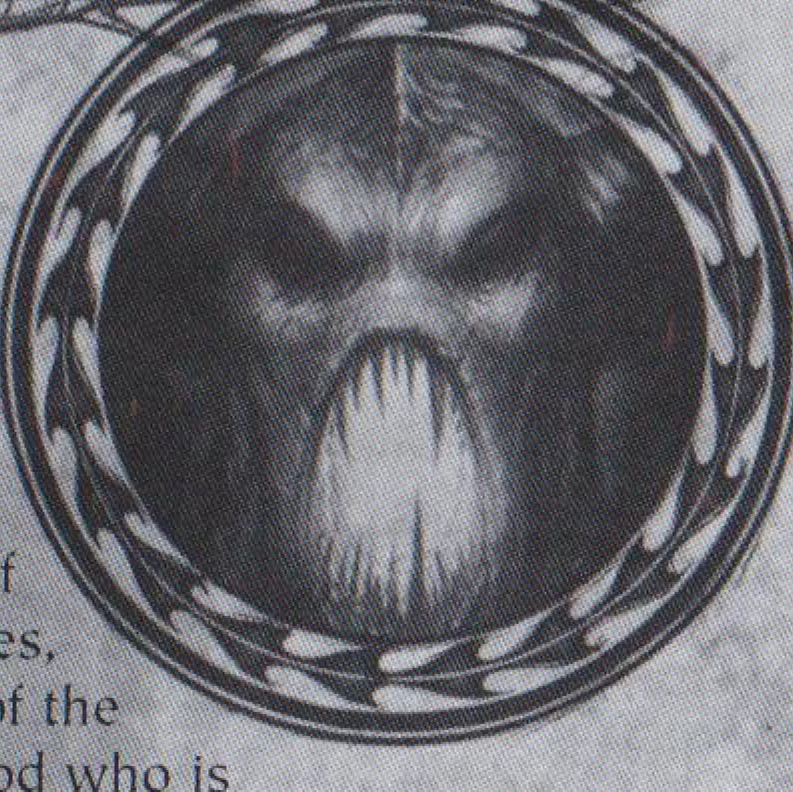
Apollo's twin sister and daughter of Zeus, Artemis is one of the three maiden goddesses of Olympus. As overseer of the wilderness and wild animals, Artemis protects them fiercely using her giant blade.



APHRODITE

Daughter of Zeus, Aphrodite is the goddess of love and beauty. Filled with light and love, Aphrodite possesses the power to steal away the hearts of gods and mortals alike.

HADES



The underworld is hidden in the earth, a joyless place where the deceased slowly fade into nothingness. It is the kingdom of the dead, ruled over by Hades, brother of Zeus and god of the underworld. Hades is a greedy god who is greatly concerned with increasing the number of his subjects.

TREASURES OF OLYMPUS

UNLOCKED AT BEGINNING

THE MAKING OF GOD OF WAR

Learn how GOD OF WAR™ grew from an initial idea into a breathtaking action adventure. Press the ⊗ button to play the film.

GOD OF WAR TRAILER

Internet trailer used to introduce GOD OF WAR™; press the ⊗ button to play.

DEFEAT THE GAME ON MORTAL/HERO/SPARTAN MODE

CREDITS

The creative team behind GOD OF WAR™. Beat the game to unlock.

DELETED LEVELS

Beat the game to see these levels that were removed from the final cut of GOD OF WAR™.

HEROIC POSSIBILITIES

See the evolution of Kratos. Beat the game to access.

VISIONS OF ANCIENT GREECE

See how the game levels were designed. Beat the game to unlock.

MONSTERS OF MYTH

Beat the game to see how the monsters in GOD OF WAR™ were designed.

THE BIRTH OF THE BEAST

Discover a secret from Kratos' past. Could this be his next adventure? Beat the game to unlock.

GOD MODE

The most difficult version of GOD OF WAR™, for advanced players only. Beat the game to unlock.

CHARACTER GRAVEYARD

Beat the game and visit the Character Graveyard to see 3D models that did not make it into the game.

CHALLENGE OF THE GODS

10 rooms, 10 challenges. Can you make it to the end? Beat the game to test your skill.

IN-GAME MOVIES

Beat the game to unlock all the in-game movies.

DEFEAT THE GAME ON GOD MODE (ONLY)

A SECRET REVEALED

Unravel the secret of Kratos' family... where will this discovery lead? Beat God Mode to find out.

THE FATE OF THE TITAN

What has become of Kronos the Titan? Beat God Mode to discover the truth.

SECRET MESSAGE 1

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DEFEAT THE GOD OF WAR CHALLENGES

ADDITIONAL COSTUMES

New costumes for Kratos. Beat the Challenge of the Gods to access.

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